

**COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI**  
**GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS,  
AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE**

April 6, 2021

**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 March 9, 2021, makes reference to County Communication 21-42, from Council Chair Alice L. Lee, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.

By correspondence dated and received on February 2, 2021, the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KYLE CAIRES TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE," with a completed application for the nominee.

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Kyle Caires to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee, for a term expiring on March 31, 2023, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Kylie Tavares.

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 Kula Agricultural Park Committee are located in Sections 22.04A.070 and 2.40.180, Maui County Code.

There is no time limit for the Council to approve or disapprove the nomination.

Your Committee discussed the nomination.

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A representative from the Office of the Mayor said Mr. Caires is active in Maui's agricultural community. He has a wealth of knowledge in the agricultural field and will be an asset to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee.

According to his application, Mr. Caires is employed as a Livestock Extension Agent at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He holds master's and doctorate degrees in Animal Science from Washington State University. He is also involved in community organizations such as Maui County 4-H, Maui Cattlemen's Association Inc., Maui's Agriculture Working Group, and Maui County Farm Bureau.

Your Committee notes that of the nine members on the Kula Agricultural Park Committee, at least one member must represent the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, University of Hawaii at Manoa, if reasonably possible. Your Committee revised the proposed resolution to designate Mr. Caires for this role.

Your Committee was satisfied with the nomination and recommended Mr. Caires be approved.

Your Committee voted 9-0 to recommend adoption of a revised proposed resolution approving the nomination. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Johnson, Kama, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye."

Your Committee is in receipt of a revised proposed resolution, approved as to form and legality by the Department of the Corporation Counsel, incorporating your Committee's recommended revision.

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution \_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KYLE CAIRES TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE," be ADOPTED.


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

  
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MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

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# Resolution

No. \_\_\_\_\_

## RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF KYLE CAIRES TO THE KULA AGRICULTURAL PARK COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated January 25, 2021, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council that he nominated Kyle Caires to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee for a term expiring March 31, 2023, to fill a vacancy replacing Kylie Tavares, in accordance with Sections 2.40.180 and 22.04A.070, Maui County Code ("MCC"); and

WHEREAS, Section 22.04A.070.B, MCC, requires the Mayor's nominee to be approved by Council; and

WHEREAS, there is no deadline for Council action on the Mayor's nomination to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee; and

WHEREAS, fulfilling the requirement of Section 22.04A.070, MCC, Kyle Caires will be the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, University of Hawaii at Manoa representative to the Kula Agricultural Park Committee; now, therefore,

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

1. That it approves the appointment of Kyle Caires to serve on the Kula Agricultural Park Committee for a term expiring March 31, 2023;
2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Kyle Caires for his 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

County of Maui

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