

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

June 4, 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 May 18, 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 April 9, 2021, the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBRA KELLY TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," with a completed application for the nominee.

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Debra Kelly to the Molokai Planning Commission, for a term expiring on March 31, 2024, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Julie-Ann Bicoy.

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 Molokai Planning Commission are located in Sections 2.28.020 and 2.28.070, Maui County Code, and Charter Section 8-8.4.

The Council must approve or disapprove the nomination by June 8, 2021, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

Your Committee discussed the nomination.

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A representative from the Office of the Mayor said Ms. Kelly is active in the Molokai community. She has volunteered for various organizations including the Molokai Fire Task Force and Molokai Deer Management Advisory Group.

According to her application, Ms. Kelly was a member of the Molokai Planning Commission from July 2010 to November 2011 and Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee in 2007. Ms. Kelly is employed as a Conservation Specialist with the Molokai-Lanai Soil & Water Conservation District.

Your Committee notes Ms. Kelly would be an asset to the Molokai Planning Commission, if selected, based on her strong commitment to Molokai.

Your Committee was satisfied with the nomination and recommended Ms. Kelly be approved.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of a proposed resolution approving the nomination. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye." Committee member Kama was excused.

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution \_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DEBRA KELLY TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION," 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 DEBRA KELLY TO THE MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated April 09, 2021, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council he nominated Debra Kelly to the Molokai Planning Commission for a term expiring on March 31, 2024, to fill a vacancy replacing Julie-Ann Bicoy, pursuant to Sections 2.28.020 and 2.28.070, Maui County Code, and Sections 8-8.4 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; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 8-8.4 contains specific provisions relating to the Molokai Planning Commission; now, therefore,

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

1. That it approves the appointment of Debra Kelly to serve on the Molokai Planning Commission for a term expiring March 31, 2024;
2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Debra Kelly 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

MIMI DESJARDINS

Department of the Corporation Counsel

County of Maui

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