

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

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Online Only via BlueJeans Link

November 30, 2021

CONVENE: 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Councilmember Michael J. Molina, Chair
Councilmember Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice-Chair
Councilmember Gabe Johnson, Member
Councilmember Kelly T. King, Member
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member
Councilmember Tamara Paltin, Member
Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci, Member
Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Member (arrived at 9:05 a.m.)

EXCUSED: Councilmember Tasha Kama, Member

STAFF: Shelly Espeleta, Supervising Legislative Analyst
James Forrest, Legislative Attorney
Kasie Apo Takayama, Legislative Analyst
Jerry Paredes, Legislative Analyst
Pauline Martins, Committee Secretary
Lenora Dinneen, Council Services Assistant Clerk

Angela Lucero, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Paltin
Axel Beers, Executive Assistant to Councilmember King
Evan Dust, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Kama
Jordan Helle, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Sugimura
Jordan Hocker, Executive Assistant to Councilmember
Rawlins-Fernandez
Lois Whitney, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Kama
Roxanne Morita, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Johnson
Stacey Moniz, Executive Assistant to Councilmember Johnson
Sarah Sexton, Executive Assistant to Councilmember King
Sarah Pajimola, Executive Assistant to Councilmember
Rawlins-Fernandez

ADMIN.: Keola Whittaker, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the
Corporation Counsel
Graham Resell, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the
Corporation Counsel
Ipo Mossman, Executive Assistant, Office of the Mayor

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Richelle Thomson, First Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department
of the Corporation Counsel

OTHERS: Leslee Matthews
Lucienne deNaie
Al Henderson
Nikhilananda
Mike Moran
Edwina Wilson-Snyder
John Tomoso
Alma Tassi
Rainey Matthews
Donald Snyder
Plus (2) other people

PRESS: Akaku Maui Community Television, Inc.

CHAIR MOLINA: ...*(gavel)*... The Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee meeting for Tuesday, November 30th, 2021, will now come to order. I'm Mike Molina, your Committee Chair. And for the record, I'm broadcasting from my office here in the County Building in Wailuku, Maui, and there is nobody with me in the office. The online meeting today is being conducted in accordance with the Governor's most recent emergency proclamation as it relates to COVID-19. Please see the last page of the agenda for more information on meeting connectivity. Committee Members, the Governor's most recent emergency proclamation also includes the following mandate: a board holding a remote meeting pursuant to this section shall not be required to allow members of the public to join board members in person at non-public locations where board members are physically present, or to identify those locations in the notice required by Section 92-7, HRS, provided that at the meeting each board member shall state who, if anyone, is present at the non-public location with the Member. And in accordance with the Governor's mandate, if you are at a non-public workspace, when your name is called, please identify by name who is present with you in the room, vehicle, or workspace. So with that it's time now for Committee roll call and we will start off with our Council Chair, the maven of multicultural greetings, Chair Alice Lee. Good morning.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Chair, from Senegal, salaam alaikum to all of my colleagues, and to you, and to everyone watching and listening. Also, I am home in my office alone with my...my favorite dog seven feet away. Oh, her name is Koa Lei *(phonetic)* Lee.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Mahalo, Chair Lee. Salaam alaikum to you as well. All right. Let's go now to Committee Vice-Chair and Council Vice-Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair, mai Molokaʻi nui a Hina. I am at the district office alone on my side of the office. And salaam alaikum kākou.

CHAIR MOLINA: Right back at you, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Let's take a ride out to South Maui and then check in with Councilmember Kelly King. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Salaam alaikum. Aloha kakahiaka, everyone. I am actually in my Wailuku office, it's on the 8th Floor. And alone on my side, Sarah Sexton is...one of my Staff members is on the other side of the office. And it's very quiet here, but it's a beautiful day.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Sounds good, Member King. Right on. Let's cruise out to West Maui now and check in with Councilmember Paltin. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Aloha kakahiaka and salaam alaikum mai Malu Ulu O Lele. Broadcasting live and direct from the Lāhainā District Office with my EA Angela, who's more than six feet away, and we're open to the public.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah, mahalo, Member Paltin. And let's go across the pond to Lānaʻi and check in on Councilmember Johnson. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Good morning, Chair. Good morning, Councilmembers. Salaam alaikum to all of you. My football team keeps losing as long as Mr. Molina's keeps losing, so I think we're going to watch pickleball from here on out for the rest of the season, so...thank you, Members.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Mahalo, Member Johnson. That is a good plan, I like that. Okay. Let's go out now to...all the way to East Maui to check in on Councilmember Sinenci. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Hey, as-salaam alaikum, Chair, and aloha kakahiaka mai Maui Hikina. Broadcasting from the Hāna Cultural Center at the moment by myself.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Mahalo, Member Sinenci. And by the way, for the record, excused today is Member Kama. She's undergoing a medical procedure from what I understand, and we certainly wish her well and a speedy recovery. And let's go out now to beautiful Kula, Maui and check in on Councilmember Sugimura. Salaam alaikum and aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, I don't see her.

CHAIR MOLINA: Oh, okay. I know she had been having some network issues. So if...Councilmember Sugimura, if you're not there, please inform us when you do come

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back on, and we hope things work out well network-wise for you. Councilmember Johnson, you had a question? I saw your hand go up.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah, Chair. I forgot to mention I'm home alone. I just put it on the record for you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you for letting us know about that, Mr. Johnson. Okay. I believe that completes roll call for the Members. And this morning we'd like to welcome our new Corporation Counsel in place of the soon to be retired Gary Murai, I would like to welcome Keola Whittaker to the GREAT Committee. And also joining us from the Mayor's Office will be Ipo Mossman. And of course, our hardworking Committee Staff, Shelly Espeleta, Kasie Apo Takayama, Jerry Paredes, James Forrest, Pauline Martins, and Lei Dinneen. And Members, we do have a somewhat big agenda, but I'm very confident we can finish well on time today. And before we proceed any further with our agenda, let's start with public testimony. And basically, oral testimony can be done via phone or video conferencing. And testifiers wanting to provide video testimony, you can join the online meeting via the BlueJeans network link at 175 115 369, as noted on the agenda. And those of you who would like to provide testimony via telephone, you can call 1-408-915-6290 and entering the meeting code that I just mentioned. Committee intends to keep the same meeting link and phone number for future GREAT meetings, this all for the ease of the public and convenience of the Members and everyone else too. Written testimony is highly encouraged by using the eComment link listed for today's agenda on mauicounty.us/agendas. And of course, instructions are also provided as well for those of you who would like to use the eComment. So with that said, oral testimony is going to be limited to three minutes per item, and if you are still testifying beyond that time, I will kindly ask you to complete your testimony. And when testifying, please state your first and last name. And if you are testifying on behalf of an organization or if you are a paid lobbyist, please inform the Committee of that. And please be mindful of the use of chat during the meeting. Chat should not be used to provide testimony or chat with other testifiers. And for those of you who would like to just simply watch the meeting, put on good ole *Akakū* at Channel 53. So with that said, I'd like to begin with oral testimony. Ms. Espeleta, do we have any testifiers this morning?

MS. ESPELETA: Good morning, Chair. Yes, we do. The first individual signed up to testify is Leslee Matthews for Item 2(32), followed by Lucienne deNaie for Items 2(30), Items 33 and 34.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Good morning, Ms. Matthews.

. . . BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY . . .

MS. L. MATTHEWS: Good morning, Council...or Committee Chair Molina, and good morning, Committee Members. My name is Leslee Matthews, and I'm here to

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enthusiastically testify in support of GREAT Committee Item 23(2) [sic] in support of my mom, Rainey Dock Matthews. I'm so proud of her. November 16th of 2004, I had come back from college, and I woke up to my mom going into a stroke. And I wondered why I didn't go back my sophomore year to my dad's alma mater, but God always has a greater plan for our lives. I'm glad that I could be there with my mom on that day, November 16th, 2004. Paramedics and fire responded. We got to the hospital, and the doctors told me that my mom wouldn't make it, prepare for my mom not to make it, contact my brother, who was playing college football. But God had a greater plan. November 16th of this year, 17 years later to the date, I received notification that my mom has been nominated to serve on the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities. In those years, becoming her caregiver, not being accustomed to that role, never knowing what I would supposed to do and how we were supposed to it. Together my mom and I learned how to navigate this world with her living as a person with disabilities. Not born as a person with disabilities, but becoming a person with disabilities after the major stroke that she had in 2004. I have no doubt that my mom will continue to serve, just as she has on the Fort Worth Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities. Last year around this time, my greatest fear was that my mom would just make it with me into 2021 after she had more health challenges. She never gave up, and I know that she'll never give up as she serves on this Committee. By the grace of God, my mom is here back living in Hawai'i with me, and she is honored to serve on this Committee. My mom has been an incredible advocate, she never gives up. When the Tarrant County College, which is the third largest college in Texas, had public transportation for all students, free students, but then she learned all did not included persons with disabilities. My mom, in her 60s, she's now 70, and she's okay with me saying it because we praise God for another year with her, she called elected officials, education...people in education, and she was able to get transportation for all, meaning all students, by herself, leading a team of anybody that would go on. But she just knew that that wasn't right. If we said transportation was for all, it meant all. And so I've had the blessing of sharing my mom with the world, and I want to share her with this commission. And I really praise God that she's still alive and that she's wanting to serve. I know that she'll do a great job. Coming back here, living on Maui, and she's living and thriving and this gives her joy, so I think that this will take part in her healing. And so I'm really, really glad that this is on the agenda. And I love you, mom, and I'm so proud of you. And thank you for being a model for me for advocacy and for never giving up.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much for your very beautiful testimony, Ms. Matthews. And I had the opportunity to meet your mom a couple years back at the HSAC conference, and she is just a wonderful and beautiful lady, and glad to hear she's doing much better. I think we have a question for you from Member King. Go ahead.

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. Aloha, Leslee. Good to see you. And that was a great testimony. I just have one question, and it's a not dealbreaker, but will your mom still continue to serve on the Climate Reality Board? That's my one question.

MS. L. MATTHEWS: Yes. We have to, of course, make sure that she's healing well, but she loves Climate Reality Project, she loves being an advocate there. And that's been one of the things, when she is networking and advocating, when we had the...Our Climate Moment with even our local leaders and all the way to Washington D.C. She makes the voice heard for persons with disabilities and talking about how the climate crisis uniquely impacts them. So a resounding yes. Thank you --

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

MS. L. MATTHEWS: -- so much, Councilmember King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Great. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member King. Members, any other need to clarify Ms. Matthews' testimony? Seeing none. Mahalo for your testimony, Ms. Matthews.

MS. L. MATTHEWS: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Ms. Espeleta, please proceed with announcing our next testifiers.

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, your next testifier is Lucienne deNaie for Items 2(30), Items 33 and 34, followed by Al Henderson.

CHAIR MOLINA: Good morning, Ms. deNaie.

MS. DENAIE: Good morning. Aloha to all. Thank you for this opportunity to testify. First I would like to say what an inspiration it is that we have folks that...like...like Ms. Matthews who are willing to serve on these boards and commissions. Really appreciate her story being told. I...I would also like to speak to one of our other nominees, and that is for item number...I guess it's (30)? Yes, Number (30). My old friend, Hau'oli John Tomoso, who's volunteering to serve on the Council on Aging. Ho, it's come to this, I guess...I knew him when he was young. But time passes for all of us. And Hau'oli is...is an old friend. and we've done many projects together over the years. And he is just such a steadfast force, and also a wonderful sense of humor, really brings humanity to any situation that he's involved with. We both serve on the Stand Up Maui affordable housing committee. which he was co-chair of until very recently. And just great perspective on how we as human beings need to work together to accomplish the things to help our fellow human beings. So you couldn't have a better nominee. And mahalo for all those who are supporting him. On to the next item, which is...I think it's 34...33, yes, Item 33, and this is the South Maui

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Advisory Committee to the Planning Commission. Once again, what a...what a great group of people have volunteered to serve their community. I know practically every one of these folks from, you know, having worked with them on...on different committees, commissions, projects. You...you really can't go wrong. I'm...I'm grateful that Tom Cook has volunteered once again. We served on GPAC together, and I think it's good to have a few of the folks that went through that monumental experience, the three years of trying to shape the Maui Island Plan and the...the General Plan to continue on to other boards and commissions because we...we did get a very deep shared experience there of hearing from our community. And that's what these boards and commissions are about, is people who can really listen to our community, elicit wisdom from our community, and then help to make the best decisions. I'd also really like to thank Rob Weltman and Mary Trotto, Phyllis Robinson, Ray Phillips, Bonnie Newman, Mike Moran, Pat Borge, Robin Knox...you know, all of these folks have given so much to our community. Mike Wildberger. They do their research, they show up. They...they...they represent a very, very wide perspective. You have every skillset imaginable in here. You...you, you know, you're really going to have a very, very good committee. So I'm sure you guys in your wisdom will make the best choice. And then moving on to my last item, which is Item 34, which is the Pā'ia-Ha'ikū Advisory Committee. I'm very honored to be one of those on this list, and there's some other really great people there. And I'm sure that you folks will make a very, very good choice today. You have plenty of good people to choose from. So just mahalo for all the work that the GREAT Committee does, which is all of you, of course. It's the other...the other name for what we all called the committee of the whole. And we look forward to starting the new year with these new advisory committees, and having a new part of our history being written here in Maui County. So mahalo nui loa.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: You're muted, Chair. You're muted, Mike.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair, try pressing the letter M on your keyboard.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Weird.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Chair, would you like me to...thumbs-up if you would like me to...to recess. Or would you want me to continue with testimony? Thumbs-up if you want me to continue with testimony. Or...or do you want me to recess? Recess, thumbs-up.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay. As the Vice-Chair, we'll take a five-minute recess and return...oh, I guess I'll just...we'll say 9:00...9:20. Is...you think that would will be enough time to restart the computer, or you want to go 9:25?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair?

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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Just so...so Lucienne doesn't have to hang around. I just had one question for her or just one clarifying.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay. Sorry. Okay. Sure. Any clarifying questions? Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you. Thank you so much. And I think our Chair can hear us even though he can't...we can't hear him. Okay. Well, thanks for being here, Lucienne, again. I just wanted to clarify because you mentioned Tom Cook that he wasn't on the list, he applied directly to the Mayor. So he was appointed by the Mayor. But I am also glad because he had originally testified against the South Maui Advisory Committee, so I'm glad he's in support now and willing to serve. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, did you have a question or just comments, Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I just wanted to clarify that because it might be confusing to some folks that he's not on our list, because he wasn't one of the ones that applied to the Council.

MS. DENAIE: Thanks for that clarification. I'll...I'll sign off now and you guys can go on your recess.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Mahalo.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member King. Okay. Members, seeing no other requests for clarifying questions, we'll recess until 9:25. Our Chair called to request a recess. So we'll do that. It's 9:19 (*audio interference*) and the GREAT Committee will be in recess until 9:25. Recess. . . .(*gavel*). . .

RECESS: 9:19 a.m.

RECONVENE: 9:25 a.m.

CHAIR MOLINA: . . .(*gavel*). . . The GREAT Committee meeting for Tuesday, November 30th, 2021 is now back in session. Mahalo, Members, for that break. We had an unexpected technical difficulty as it relates to the Committee Chair. And mahalo to Committee Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez for immediately stepping in. She can do this with her eyes closed. Thank you for running the rest of the meeting while your Committee Chair's network went out. But so far so good, I think we are good to go. Knock on wood. Let's continue now with public testimony. Ms. Espeleta, go ahead.

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MS. ESPELETA: Chair, your next testifier is Al Henderson, followed by Donald Snyder.

CHAIR MOLINA: Aloha and good morning.

MR. HENDERSON: Aloha. I'm Al Henderson from the City of Fort Worth. Are you able to hear me? Hello?

CHAIR MOLINA: Yes, you're coming in good, Mr. Henderson.

MR. HENDERSON: Okay. Great. I am the staff liaison for the mayor's committee on persons with disabilities, and I had the pleasure to work alongside of Rainey Dock Matthews for a number of years. And to summarize what I wanted to say, when she first came to the mayor's committee, it...it was a hot mess. I'll just say that, being...being somewhat even...being somewhat politically correct when I said that. But as she was speaking of going to Hawai'i, it kind of...we miss her. We want her back. But I am here to indicate that during her tenure, the mayor's committee on...in Fort Worth was recognized by the state and the governor's committee on persons with disabilities that recognized her leadership not only to the community, but to the state and to the nation. So I just want to lend my support for her nomination to this...to your Committee.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much for your testimony, Mr. Henderson. Members, any need to clarify Mr. Henderson's testimony? Seeing none. Thank you for your testimony, sir.

MR. HENDERSON: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Before we go on to our next testifier, just want to recognize...I believe Member Sugimura is back online; however, she is unable to put on her video, but she is available on the audio. Member Sugimura, can you acknowledge your presence at our meeting today, for the record?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, I'm having really bad problems, so I'm going to stay offline listening in. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you. All right. Ms. Espeleta, please continue with our...announcing our next testifiers.

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, your next testifiers are Donald Snyder, followed by Nikhilananda.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Good morning, Mr. Snyder. Aloha, testifier Donald Snyder. Could this be Edwina Snyder? Okay. I think they may be having some network issues as well. We'll come back to them. Ms. Espeleta, please go ahead with announcing our next testifiers.

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MS. ESPELETA: Chair, your next testifiers are Nikhilananda, followed by Mike Moran for Items 33 and 34.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Good morning, Nikhilananda.

MR. NIKHILANANDA: Good morning, Chairman Molina and Members of the Committee. My name is Nikhilananda, Nikhilananda. And I had not planned on testifying, so I will not...or I will end it right here. So thank you. I got a phone call with an invitation to attend today, and here I am. So mahalo. And I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, and Happy Hanukkah to everybody. Mahalo.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. And mahalo, Nikhilananda. Members, any need to clarify Mr. Nikhilananda's testimony at this point? Seeing none. Thank you. And of course, when we get to GREAT Item 34, you also have an opportunity...if he chooses to stay when we get to that item, you can ask him questions.

MR. NIKHILANANDA: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you. All right. Let's continue on with testimony, Ms. Espeleta.

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, the individual signed in as Donald Snyder, his...his video is unmuted. and we're unable to unmute his audio. He may need to unmute on his end.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Ms. [sic] Donald Snyder, if you can unmute on your end...or if it happens to be Edwina Snyder, if you could unmute on your end, we can take your testimony. Otherwise when we get...I presume this is for item...GREAT Item 2(29) related to the appointment to the Council on Aging, we can contact you again when we get to that point if you like. Are you able to hear us? Okay. All righty. We'll...we'll come back at some point once we start with that agenda item, to Ms. Snyder. All righty. Ms. Espeleta, please continue with announcing our next testifiers.

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, your last individual signed in to testify is Mike Moran for items 33 and 34.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Good morning, Mr. Moran.

MR. MORAN: Good morning, Chair Molina and Committee Members. I'm Mike Moran for the Kihei Community Association on 33 and 34. I will try and be very brief. It was over two years ago when our South Maui rep, Kelly King, contacted me to see if I was interested in participating in...in a new feature. And I certainly was, and we proceeded from there with unofficial meetings or meetings that submitted our opinion to her. Now that it looks like we're about to become official for 2022, we just want to express our support to both communities, to...to ours, which is by...by laws, that's what we're

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supposed to be addressing. But we also live on...on island here, and we want to offer the same to...to you, Chair Molina, for...for what you did in Ha'ikū. So we have our consecutive numbers here, 33 and 34. And we just express our thanks to everyone involved; the volunteers, those that established it, and everybody that participated. And we look forward to proceeding, hopefully at the beginning of '22. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much for your testimony, Mr. Moran. Members, any need to clarify Mr. Moran's testimony? Okay. Seeing none. Thank you for your testimony, Mike.

MR. MORAN: A hui hou.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. A hui hou. Ms. Espeleta, is there anyone else signed up to testify?

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, there are no further individuals signed up to testify.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you. We'll pause for a moment in case anyone wants to jump in online to provide testimony on our agenda items. So we'll take a momentary pause, and then we'll come back. Okay. Final call for anyone who would like to testify. Going once, twice, three times. Ms. Espeleta, just to confirm, is there anyone else that has signed on to testify?

MS. ESPELETA: Chair, there are no further individuals.

CHAIR MOLINA: So noted. All right. Members, if there are no objections, the Chair will close public testimony for our agenda today. Any objections?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Excellent. So ordered.

. . . END OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY . . .

GREAT-2(29) NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS
(COUNCIL ON AGING) (CC 19-24)

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Members, let's get down to business, let's start off with our first agenda item, which is GREAT Item 2(29) related to the nomination for the Council on Aging. And Members, if there are no objections, the Chair would also like to take up GREAT Item 2(30) because it also deals with a nomination to the same board. Any objections to taking both Item 2(29) and Item 2(30) simultaneously?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

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CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. So noted. All righty. The first...Item 2(29) relates to the appointment of Edwina Wilson-Snyder to the Council on Aging for a term expiring on March 31st, 2025 to fill a vacancy due to the Mayor's removal of Agnes Groff. And GREAT Item 2(30) relates to the nomination of...or appointment of John Tomoso to the Council on Aging. And this is for a term expiring on March 31st, 2022 to fill a vacancy due to the Mayor's removal of Vivian Lindsey. And from the Mayor's Office, Chair would like to recognize Mr. Ipo Mossman to give us a brief overview on both Ms. Wilson-Snyder as well as Mr. Tomoso. Mr. Mossman, if you will?

MR. MOSSMAN: Good morning, Chair Mike Molina and...and Council people. I have Ms. Edwina on the other line, she seems to be having a little bit of a problem trying to get on. So I told her I would share with her that she's got to try and see if she can unmute herself, so let's see what happens. But anyway, the Mayor is very excited in...in introducing Ms. Edwina Snyder for the Commission on Aging...the Council on Aging. And you know, I'm looking through her...her resume and all that, and it's just...it goes on and on from being a...a kupuna caregiver as MEO senior club, Kaunoa volunteer over the years, experienced...having past experiences on various commissions like the Board of Ethics, the Cost of Government, Salary Commission. Edwina is not a stranger to any of the boards and commissions, and we're very excited to have her be a part of the Council of Aging, which is one her passions. So with that, hopefully she will...she...she is on and ready to go. And I'd like to see if we can get her on there. Edwina, are you there?

CHAIR MOLINA: Ms. Snyder? Okay. It sounds like she's still having some technical issues.

MR. MOSSMAN: She...she can --

CHAIR MOLINA: But you know...she can hear us?

MR. MOSSMAN: -- she can see us, Chair. She can hear us, she can see us, but unfortunately, I guess she is just having a problem trying to unmute.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. All right. Well, thank you for that overview with regards to Ms. Wilson-Snyder. I'll just speak. I've known Ms. Wilson-Snyder for many, many years. She's an...was an excellent school administrator, did a lot for our community, so she has my...my full support. Members, any comments as it relates to Ms. Wilson-Snyder? We'll go with Chair Lee, followed by Councilmember King.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yes, I too, have known Edwina for a very long time. She was the Deputy Superintendent for the DOE on Maui. And she was also, I believe, principal at Saint Anthony School. And on top of all of that, she's a good golfer. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Well stated, Chair Lee. Councilmember King?

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Well, I can't speak for the golf, but I'm sure you're right. Her husband's an athletic director. But I...I've also known Ms. Snyder for...it's like a couple of decades since I was on the Board of Education for...for the State. And she was an excellent school administrator. She...very intelligent, very proactive person, and I think we'd be lucky to have her on any board or commission. So fully support this appointment.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you very much, Member King. Members, any other comments as it relates to the nomination of Edwina Wilson-Snyder to the Council on Aging? If not --

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: -- Chair's going to...

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: Oh, go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Can you hear me?

CHAIR MOLINA: Is that...

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh, good. This is Yuki.

CHAIR MOLINA: Oh, go ahead. Councilmember Sugimura, followed by Member Paltin. Good ahead, Member Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh, sorry about that, Member Paltin. You want to go first? So I...I just also want to fully extend my support to Edwina. And you're right, her husband is super, and they always are together holding hands in the community, doing things and supporting even after she was out of the DOE and Saint Anthony. But I fully support her. I'm on the Commission [sic] on Aging, and I want to see how we can all work together on that commission. So welcome. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you, Member Sugimura. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. I fully support Ms. Edwina. My question is for Mr. Mossman. Does the Council of Aging meet remotely, and will the Administration be providing like tech support to the members on the commission that may need some assistance to...

MR. MOSSMAN: Yes. Thank you very much, Councilwoman Paltin. You know, when we set this up, I know Edwina was setting up her...her BlueJeans. And unfortunately, you know, we'll...we'll work that through definitely following this to make sure that that

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will not be a problem with her being able to communicate and connect to the meeting.
But thank you for that question.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Perfect. Yeah, I wouldn't want to lose such a good candidate
due to like a manini issue.

MR. MOSSMAN: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you.

MR. MOSSMAN: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member Paltin. Members, any other comments as it
relates to the nomination of Ms. Edwina Wilson-Snyder to the Council on Aging?
Okay. If not, the Chair's intent for both Ms. Wilson-Snyder and Mr. Tomoso is to do
both of their nominations in one motion, if Members have no objections to my doing it
that way?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. All right. Okay.

GREAT-2(30) NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS
(COUNCIL ON AGING) (CC 19-24)

CHAIR MOLINA: Let's proceed with Mr. Mossman to give us an overview of Mr. Tomoso.

MR. MOSSMAN: After...thank you, Chair Molina. But after, you know, seeing the...the
comradery with the group with Father John Tomoso, we're so fortunate to have
someone of that caliber to step up. And...and...and we've had some very good
conversation, and I think of nothing more than what he can bring to the table in our
support with the Council on Aging. And you know with that, I'm just going to turn it
over to Father John. I think it's just a pleasure for us to have him as the Mayor's
nominee.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Mossman. And...and aloha to you, Mr. Tomoso. I'll
give you the opportunity to say a few words as to why you'd like to serve on the
Council on Aging. Please go ahead.

MR. TOMOSO: Okay. I just want to say, Ipo, I know why you called me Father, yeah, you
were Saint Louis Class of '68, yeah? I remember, yeah.

MR. MOSSMAN: Saint Louis forever, brah.

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MR. TOMOSO: Hey, Saint Anthony forever, brah. Whatever. Yay. But yeah, you know, I'm...I'm a retired civil servant. I retired from the County of Maui as the Executive on Aging. And since then, I've been on the...the State Policy Advisory Board Elder Affairs, PABEA. And so I've always had a...both hands on the pulse of aging. I really believe aging is the issue for an aging society, including Maui. It's our public health issue, it's our economic issue, it's our political issue. We're all aging. And most, if not all, of us are already doing caregiving, either directly or indirectly. And aging is I...I say the issue, but there are solutions. There are solutions to aging problems, which includes family caregivers, formal caregivers, and how Government itself is aging, present company included. So I...I do...I do find it that I can step up to the plate and...for this short term that I'm going to have to help the Council on Aging with coming up with those solutions, especially local-based solutions for Maui. The County of Maui as a jurisdiction has a distinct reputation for being one of the more generous...in fact, the most generous local jurisdiction in the State of Hawai'i when it comes to aging services, aging policies, aging...aging perspectives. And I want to contribute to that generosity as a citizen of Maui. So I don't know, I...I just want you to know that I'm also on the Healing Commission...the Commission on Healing Solutions for Homelessness, and wow, pray for us. But anyway, yeah, I think I have some time. Yeah, I know Alice going pray, I know she smiling, I know. So anyway, well, I...I do have some time to be also on the Council on Aging. I've discussed that with Mr. Mossman that right now, it's fine for me to do this, especially because I'm only being appointed for a short time. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mahalo, Father Tomoso. And on the subject of aging, you yourself are like fine wine. You just get better and better every year, yeah.

MR. TOMOSO: Port --

CHAIR MOLINA: All right.

MR. TOMOSO: -- port wine.

CHAIR MOLINA: Port.

MR. TOMOSO: Port.

CHAIR MOLINA: There we go. Learn something today for me on my end. All right. Chair is going to recognize first my Committee Vice-Chair. I know she always has questions for our nominees, and then to be followed by Chairman Lee. Committee Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, you have the floor. Any questions for Mr. Tomoso?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Yes. Aloha, Mr. Tomoso. Mahalo for your continued public service to the community, and for serving on Healing Solutions Commission. So I...I have my regular three questions that I ask just so that it's on our

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record. Do you foresee any concerns with attendance for the Council on Aging meeting?

MR. TOMOSO: I...I don't foresee any of those problems. I love Zoom. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Well, perfect then, because you'll be on Zoom quite often, it sounds like. Okay. And then have you attended any of the Council on Aging meetings or reviewed any of their minutes?

MR. TOMOSO: Well, as...as a retired Executive on Aging, I've always had some...some kind of finger on the pulse of the Office on Aging, and also aging issues. And then I just got off of the State Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, and all the local jurisdictions are reporting to that as a State body as well. So I think I kind of know that not only am I aging, but many of my contemporaries and colleagues are aging. And caregiving, family caregiving...oh, my gosh, is everybody's business, caregiving. If it's not now, it will be very shortly. Yeah. So I...I want to...I want to be humble about this yeah. I know about aging. Primarily I'm aging too, so yeah. Mahalo.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Great. So it sounds like you'll have some firsthand experience to be able to contribute to the council. Are there any...anything else that you foresee wanting to contribute to the council?

MR. TOMOSO: Yeah, I'm into solutions, I'm not into...I think every problem has a solution, and...you know, and we have to think out of the box. And certainly, because aging is so pervasive, it's an out-of-the-box reality anyway. But it also means culturally that we have to kokua each other, yeah, and also strengthen family systems to...to be those caregiving systems that we really need for our kupuna. You know, I've seen instances where kupuna have been abandoned, so sad, oh, my gosh, by their own people. And I want to tell people hey, wake up, you know, kupuna are our heart and soul, and you cannot give up on your kupuna, you know. So anyway, yeah, that's...that's all I wanted to say. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo for your responses. Absolutely it's a priority and, you know, our kupuna are our foundation, so we need to malama our *(audio interference)* Mahalo for your responses. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mahalo, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Chair Lee, questions for Mr. Tomoso?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Well, actually, no questions. I just want to lend my support to this nominee because I've known him for years. And he was the Executive on Aging when I was the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, so I know firsthand of his knowledge and experience and competence in this field. He also has an incredible sense of humor. He...whenever we did skits, and we did them often, he would volunteer for the fashion show. And he would be the tutu in the muumuu, and I loved

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it. It was great. And not only that, he...he makes the best bread pudding in the whole wide world. So I will vote for this man who, no matter what his age is, is young at heart. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Well stated, Chair Lee. Members, any other need to question Mr. Tomoso? We have Councilmember King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. I don't really have any questions. I've known Mr. Tomoso for it feels like a couple of decades now, back when your hair was black. And I don't think there's any question of your integrity and your motive for, you know, what you do for our community. Basically you had me at hello. So I just want to lend my support as well. And say that...thank you...thank you very much for applying for this and putting yourself out there constantly. Thank you, John.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member King. Members, last call for any comments or questions as it relates to Mr. Tomoso.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Oh, go ahead. Is that Yuki?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yuki.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah. Thanks...thanks for that. Sorry, I cannot see you, Councilmember Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah. I can't...

CHAIR MOLINA: But please go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. I...I love this man. I worked with him through the years and through different passions that he has. And thank you very much for all that you have given. And I love his mother. If any of you ever met his mother, she's a...she is strong willed. I met her at one of the senior functions at Kahului Union Church I think it was, and she's just like you...or you're just like her. So I love her. Please give my best to her. I support you completely on the commission. I...I'm...I'm going to look forward to us, you know, doing wonderful things for our seniors. You're really true, we are all *(audio interference)* forever.

MR. TOMOSO: Thank you. Yes, Yuki, thank you. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member Sugimura. Members, last call for any questions for Mr. Tomoso. Seeing none. Then Members, the Chair is going to

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make a recommendation. And the recommendation is to adopt the proposed resolution approving the appointments of Edwina Wilson-Snyder for a term expiring on March 31st, 2025, and John Tomoso for a term expiring on March 31st, 2022 to the Council on Aging. Chair will ask for a motion.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So moved.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. It's been moved by Member King, seconded by Chair Lee. Members, any comments as it relates to the motions to nominate...for the nomination of Mr. Tomoso and Ms. Wilson-Snyder? Okay. Chair will just offer his comments. I think we're very blessed today to have some...two very devoted, community-minded individuals, very well seasoned. And certainly, it goes without a doubt, they will be major contributors on this very important commission, which is the Council on Aging. So like many of you have just stated, I echo your sentiments. And both of these individuals have my full support. All right. If there are no discussion, Chair will call for the vote. All those in favor, signify by saying "aye" and raising your hands. And Member Sugimura, if you could give us a shoutout?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Anyone opposed? Okay. Thank you. The Chair will mark it eight "ayes" with one excusal, Member Kama.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

**ACTION: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EDWINA WILSON-
 SNYDER AND JOHN TOMOSO TO THE COUNCIL ON AGING.**

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CHAIR MOLINA: Both Mr. Tomoso and Ms. Edwina Wilson-Snyder have been approved. And your matter will go for one final vote before the full Council in a couple of weeks. I'd like to thank both of our individuals for volunteering their time and to give back to the community as it relates to serving on the Council on Aging. Mahalo. All right. Very good.

GREAT-2(31) NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS
(COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH) (CC 19-24)

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Members, let's go on now to our next item on the agenda, which is GREAT Item 2(31), which relates to the appointment of Alma Tassi to the Commission on Children and Youth. And Ms. Tassi's nomination to this commission is for a term expiring on March 31st, 2023, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of William Kinaka. And I believe Ms. Tassi is on the line. But before we call on Ms. Tassi, let's recognize Mr. Mossman to give us a brief overview on this nominee. Mr. Mossman?

MR. MOSSMAN: Thank you, Chair Molina. And again, you know, as we go through looking for the...for our members or the nominees, you know, it's always a pleasure to meet people that have a new passion, somebody that's new that wants to give back. And introducing Ms. Alma Tassi, she brings that to the table for this board. And we got excited only because her advocacy on children and family...family parenting. She's self-employed. She is a publisher with the Maui Family Media LLC. And we're just really excited to...to have her onboard because she'll bring a...you know, a new...a new voice, and maybe a new direction that may support the board from where we're at and make it better. So with that, I'd just like to introduce Alma as the Mayor's nominee for this board.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Mr. Mossman. Ms. Tassi, if you're on the line right now, it's your opportunity if you'd like to take about a minute or so to give us your thoughts as to why you would like to be considered for the Commission on Children and Youth. Proceed, Ms. Tassi.

MS. TASSI: Hello. Hi. Thanks so much for having me. I've been a resident of Maui for 17 years, and I'm a mother of three. And I recently...am now the publisher of *Maui Family Magazine*. So obviously, issues related to children and families is really important to me. And I look at my business as a...as a resource for families to educate them on what's available as far as nonprofits, education, health topics. So that's always been my work. I've worked in media for 20 years on the mainland and here. I've worked for various publications and written for *Maui Nō Ka 'Ōi Magazine*, *On Maui!*, pretty much every publication on the magazine...on the island, I've written for. So I sort of see...I want to be able to give what...my skillset to advocate for children and be a part of the...the County. As...I've done nonprofit work and I've volunteered. I'm...I'm on the board of my children's PTA at their school. But I've never done

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anything directly for the County, so I saw this as an opportunity to get more involved and see how the County Council works. And you know, be a resource for the Council and Maui.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Thank you very much very much for your opening comments, Ms. Tassi. And I am pronouncing your last name correct? I just want to make sure.

MS. TASSI: Yes, it's Tassi.

CHAIR MOLINA: Tassi. Okay. Great. I'm going to open up the floor for any Members who have questions for you. Okay. Seeing no hands going up...oh, go...I'll go ahead and recognize my Committee Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Go ahead.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Aloha, Ms. Tassi. Mahalo for your willingness to serve on the commission. So I...I just...I ask all nominees the same three questions, I'm sure you heard it just before this. Do you foresee any concerns with your attendance for this?

MS. TASSI: No. I'm self-employed, and I've always worked remote, so I'm very comfortable, you know, working this way even before COVID. So yes.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Awesome. Okay. And I'll just combine the last two questions. You kind of spoke to it already in your opening comments, but if you wanted to add any more. Have you ever attended the...any of the commission meetings or read the through the minutes, and what do you foresee or envision contributing to the commission?

MS. TASSI: I have not been to any of the meetings, but I did review the minutes prior to committing and sending in my application because I wanted to know what I was getting into. So I did review, you know, it was a few months of minutes, so yes, I'm familiar with that. And again, you know, I bring 28 years of experience as far as media, so hopefully that can help. And my relationships with all the nonprofits and the community at large, I'm hoping I can be a voice for what we're working on and hopefully be kind of a connector between the work and...and children and parents.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Wonderful. Mahalo for your response, and mahalo again for serving. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mahalo, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Members, any other questions? We have Member Paltin. Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair Molina. Thank you, Ms. Tassi...Tassi, for your --

MS. TASSI: Tassi. It's Italian.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- Tassi...for your willingness to serve. I just was wondering, in your perspective, what do you think is the three most pressing issues facing our children and youth, and what would be some of your solutions to address those issues?

MS. TASSI: I think right now one of the bigger issues that a lot of families are facing is childcare and trying to get back to work. That's a big topic that parents are struggling with. And also another is...which I think is sort of falling through the cracks is how the past two years have affected children emotionally. And being able to offer kids access, and...and there are...there are programs available, and being able to share that with parents. So those are a couple things. The one that I hear about the most is trying to find childcare and trying to get back to work, you know,

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member Paltin. And before I recognize Chair King [sic], in your responses to Member Paltin, you sound like you're a bridge builder, which I think is a very important asset to have as a member of this commission. And especially for our youths living in this time of COVID, and I guess the challenges for some youth in dealing with the...the sudden change in lifestyle on...on...on...with the mental...mental aspect of it. Any thoughts, as a potential member of this commission, what you would like to suggest or offer how parents can work with our youth or, you know...

MS. TASSI: I know for the...I know for a period of time, I can't recall, it was sometime last year there was a hotline that was offered that we shared for...for parents whose kids want...wanted somebody to talk to. I think something like that might be useful. And again, maybe the...the nonprofits that are currently working on these, just being able to communicate that better to parents that it's available. And we try to do that with the magazine and share resources. The more we can do that...you know, the one main purpose that I look at with my business and with the magazine is sharing useful information that'll help children's lives be better, parent's lives be easier. And you know, not put these programs to waste. Because oftentimes these programs are created and...and not enough...not enough effort...or even within the nonprofits, they don't have the vehicle to share why. So I think that would be really helpful for parents.

CHAIR MOLINA: Excellent. Appreciate that response. Member King, questions for Ms. Tassi?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. Aloha, Ms. Tassi. Thank you for applying for this. It's always great to get new blood into County commissions and boards. And I...I had two questions. One was, if you could...because I think this is helpful to us all,

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what motivated you to finally decide to step into the realm of...of County volunteerism?

MS. TASSI: Well, I...I noticed a posting about it, and I realized, you know, I only have a certain...I know like my community, and I know the...my current relationships, but...so I thought that the Council would be...being part of a committee would actually further ingrain me in what's going on behind the scenes before maybe some of these programs come to light, and being able to affect that. So that's sort of what motivated me.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Great. And you know, because I don't have young kids anymore, my kids are adults, but how long...I haven't heard of your magazine before, so how long has that been in publication?

MS. TASSI: The magazine has been in publication for over 20 years, and it's --

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Wow.

MS. TASSI: -- it's distributed to all the preschools. It's distributed directly to all the public schools, private schools, and all the groceries. Basically anywhere parents are, we try to put the magazine.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: But not...it's not associated with any single one nonprofit?

MS. TASSI: No.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Independent. Okay.

MS. TASSI: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: All right. I'm going to look for that then. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member King. Anyone else with questions for Ms. Tassi? Member Sugimura, I know I can't see you, you have anything else you'd like...anything you'd like to add to the conversation?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair. I welcome...I welcome you to this commission. And communication is always very, very important, so look forward to voting yes. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member Sugimura. So if there's no other questions then, the Chair is going to make a recommendation to adopt the proposed resolution approving the appointment of Ms. Alma Tassi for a term expiring on

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March 31st, 2023, to the Commission on Children and Youth. Chair's...would like to ask for a motion from the floor.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So moved.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So moved.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Moved by Committee Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member King. Members, any discussion as it relates to the motion? Seeing none. Then the Chair will call for the vote. All those in favor of approving Ms. Alma Tassi to the Commission on Children and Youth, signify by raising your hand and saying "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: Any opposition? Seeing none. The Chair will mark it eight "ayes," with one excusal, Member Kama.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

**ACTION: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ALMA TASSI TO
 THE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH.**

CHAIR MOLINA: Congratulations, Ms. Tassi. And thank you for spending time with the Committee to respond to the questions. And your matter will go to the full Council in a couple of weeks for a final vote. Thank you very much. Very good, Members, we're moving right along.

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GREAT-2(32) NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS
(COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES) (CC 19-24)

CHAIR MOLINA: We are now on our next Committee item which is GREAT Item 2(32). This matter deals with the nomination to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities. The Mayor is nominating Rainey Matthews to this commission for a term expiring on March 31st, 2024, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Joseph D'Alessandro. Before we recognize Ms. Matthews, I believe she is on the call, I'd like to call upon Mr. Mossman to give us some brief opening comments. Go ahead, Mr. Mossman.

MR. MOSSMAN: Thank you, Chair Molina. You know, from the past testimony we had, it was so nice to hear the comments surrounding Ms. Rainey. After talking to her and...and having the privilege of...of going through her expertise, her background, there's no doubt in our mind that she would bring something to the table. So with that being said, I'd really...I'd like Rainey...Ms. Rainey to kind of introduce herself because we're very happy to have her as the Mayor's nominee for this board. And we thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Mr. Mossman. Good morning, Ms. Matthews.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Good morning.

CHAIR MOLINA: If you'd like to go ahead and take a minute or so to let us know why you'd like to serve on this commission. Please go ahead.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Yes, sir, and thank you. I appreciate this time, and I'm honored with regards to the nominee. And I...greetings, Chair and GREAT Committee. First of all, I want to say to Chair King, yes, ma'am, unequivocally, I will remain on the Climate Reality Project committee board, and continuing to be a voice for those of us living with disability. So I just wanted to get that out there. I...I am incredibly honored that from the triple life sentence that medical science gave me in 2004, my daughter referred to the...to the stroke to be that I would be housebound, bedridden, and wheelchair bound, and that after I survived them telling my daughter to prepare for my funeral. And to be here now, serving as a...excuse me, over the last...oh, probably seven years, serving to advocate for people with disabilities. Something that I think you all need to know that possibly you did not know, I'm actually a returning resident to Maui. In the '80s, I was here. My...my...I was the wife of a minister at the now Kings Cathedral. It was First Assembly of God at that time back in 1982. And also that I worked at the...in the human resources department of the Maui Marriot, which is now the Maui Ocean Club. And also, for one and a half years...you all are familiar with the Drums of the Pacific Luau, of course; and for one and one-half years, I was asked to come out every Thursday to do bible studies with the cast. So I do have a lot of roots here in Maui. When I lived here before, I was an able-bodied individual, and

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now I return to Maui...I came in May as a person living with disabilities. I'm sorry, I'm referring to my notes here. I've heard that it's okay to let you know that I'm referring to notes. But in serving the Fort Worth Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities, I chuckled when Al Henderson mentioned that it was a hot mess, and indeed...indeed, it was. And my goal was to get in there and turn this committee around to where it would be a respected committee, not only in the city, but in the county, and also in the nation, which it turns out that it was. I met most of all you Councilmembers back in 2019 when I came here for the HSAC conference. And you will recall that I was a voice for persons with disabilities then. And I had great conversations with several of you. What I plan to bring to this committee now, if I am approved, is as they have seen to date that I am a voice for persons with disabilities. Since being here in May, I think I've only missed one...excuse me, three of the virtual meetings, and I've always got something to say. And I just see great potential here. I bring a global perspective to this committee. So...and then the...just real quickly, I just thought about something. With regards to the other nominee for the Council on Aging, something that I brought to our city council there was the tsunami...the silver tsunami aspect, which were the old 60 is the new 80, which means we're going to have more people living with disabilities, and that are going to need to have a voice. So thank you for this time.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much for your comments, Ms. Matthews. And certainly a pleasure to see you again.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you, sir.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Members, any questions for Ms. Matthews? I know my Committee Vice-Chair is always standing at the ready, so I'll go ahead and recognize her. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, your questions for Ms. Matthews?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Aloha, Ms. Matthews. Mahalo for your willingness to serve on this commission. And welcome back to Maui.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: You've...you've already anticipated and proactively answered the questions that I usually ask. As a non-commissioner, you've already made most of the meetings, it sounds like. So it sounds like you don't anticipate any concerns with your attendance. You've attended the meetings and participated, sounds like testified and provided ideas and solutions to some of the discussions. So that's awesome, mahalo. And you bring with you, you know, global perspectives to help some of, you know, the...you know, perhaps plaguing issues that we have in our community. So I...it's such a beautiful thing that you've turned your blessing of life to bless others. So mahalo for, you know, doing that. So I guess I'll just ask if there's anything, you know, specific that you would like to add as far as what you foresee or envision bringing to the commission?

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MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you. I appreciate those comments. One thing I would like to add as it pertains to transportation, I'm very pleased that the paratransit transportation here...is...is...is offered here. I know that in several states across the country it is not, so I'm very thankful for that. And with regards to transportation, I sat on several transportation boards in Texas and was again, the voice. And as it pertains to also with regards to voting, in 2016, I was...egregiously experienced some disparities that as a person with disabilities, as a black woman, and then as a senior citizen. And so I brought that to...I brought that to the attention of the Tarrant County election officials. As a result, they...they formed a partnership with us to where we were beta testers. And so with regards to voting, as the Committee Members here already have heard, I am very, very, very big on making sure that our people with disabilities are registered to vote. We have an election coming next year, and I want to...I want to strongly advocate to let's get our persons with disabilities registered to vote. Because they do have a voice, and it does matter.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes, awesome. Preach. We're so lucky to have you. I'm sorry Fort Worth's loss has been our gain, but I'm happy for us. Mahalo again for your willingness to serve. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mahalo, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Members, any other questions for Ms. Matthews? I see Member King, proceed.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. I just wanted to lend my support again for you, Rainey. So happy that you're here and have added so much to our community already. Hearing your position on getting the vote out, I'm almost sad that you're not in Texas anymore with all their voter suppression laws. They could really use you there. But like our Vice...our Committee Vice-Chair said, their loss is our gain, and so I fully support you. And thank you for moving back here and jumping in with both feet with, you know, the...the involvement that you've had already.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you. Thank you very much. I appreciate that.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you very much, Member King. Member Sugimura, anything to say? I know I can't see you, but anything --

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: -- you'd like to add --

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yes. I was also...

CHAIR MOLINA: -- prior to the Chair's recommendation?

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COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. I also fortunate to...to meet you. And I am thrilled that you are going to be amongst us to enlighten our lives. And...and I love your spirit. And...and we appreciate your daughter too. So thank you very, very much. And I fully support you.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo, Chair. And I too would like to speak in strong support of Ms. Rainey Matthews to the Council of Aging. I got to meet her during the HSAC conference as well, and since then she has been a personal advocate for me as a resource for persons with disability. So I definitely know and...as some of the things that she mentioned she'll advocate for; again, voting accessibility, expanding universal design, paratransit as well as...as well as visit-ability. So I'm happy to support her today. Welcome aboard.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you, Councilmember Sinenci.

CHAIR MOLINA: Mahalo, Member Sinenci. Members, any other questions or comments prior to the Chair making a recommendation? Okay. Seeing none. All right. With that said, Members, the Chair is going to recommend the adoption of the proposed resolution approving the appointment of Rainey Matthews for a term expiring on March 31st, 2024, to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities. Chair will entertain a motion from the floor.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So moved.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Second.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member Sinenci. Members, any discussion? Okay. Well, the Chair will add his thoughts and share some love with you, Ms. Matthews. You have a light within you that just shines and radiates positivity, and as a person that's very solution-oriented. So you will certainly make a wonderful addition to this commission. So without a doubt, you have my support.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. With that said, Members, the Chair will call for the vote. All those in favor of approving the nomination of Rainey Matthews to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities, signify by saying "aye" and raising your hand.

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COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Okay. Any opposed? Okay. Chair will mark eight "ayes," with one excusal, Member Kama.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

**ACTION: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RAINEY MATTHEWS
 TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH
 DISABILITIES.**

CHAIR MOLINA: Congratulations, Ms. Matthews. Your matter will go to the full Council for a final vote in a couple of weeks. And...and thank you for taking the time to share with us and...your thoughts and your responses to our questions. Aloha.

MS. R. MATTHEWS: Thanks. Aloha.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Members, very good. Man, we are moving along at the speed of light here. Great, great.

GREAT-33 APPOINTMENTS TO SOUTH MAUI ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CC 21-228)

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. We're on our next item, which is GREAT-33. And Members, if there are no objections, your Chair would also like to call up GREAT Item 34 if there are no objections.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. We'll take these two items up simultaneously. First, GREAT Item 34...or excuse me, GREAT Item 33 relates to the appointments to the South Maui

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Advisory Committee, and...also, which includes alternates to the South Maui Advisory Committee. The purpose of this resolution, again, is to appoint the Council's seven members to the South Maui Advisory Committee, and...along with the two alternates. From the floor, Chair would like to recognize Member King. And Members, if you recall, we did the interview process a few weeks back. So today we're going to take final action on the nominees. And certainly, there's a list of nominees to consider. And the Chair will certainly recognize the recommendations as it comes from the South Maui representative, Member King. You have the floor.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: All right. Thank you so much, Chair. And thank you to all my colleagues for getting us this far in the advisory committee process. I'm really excited about it. I would like to move to amend the list to include for appointment Debra Hughes, Robin Knox, Mike Moran, and Ray Phillips and Robert Weltman, with Bruce Bond and Bonnie Newman being alternates . . . *(inaudible)* . . .

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Is there a second?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Motion made by Member King with regards to the proposed nominees for recommendation, as well as the alternate to the South Maui Advisory Committee...or alternates, I should say, and seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Member King, you have the floor as it relates to the motion.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Thank, Chair. Well, I think we went over...we...we did the interviews, as you said. I would also like to point out that the intent is for Rob Weltman to be the environmental expert on the committee, you know, and he's got a strong background in environmental with Sierra Club, and ReTree, and all the other events he's been involved in. I...I do have a...a proposal in that I believe you're going to be hearing in the next month or two to add two more, and I'm working on...I think I've got a commitment from Justin Keiwi *(phonetic)* for the Hawaiian cultural expert. He hasn't filled out the application yet, but he verbally has told me he's interested, so I'm working on that. And...and I...I'm not going to speak to that because it's not on the agenda right now, but just wanted to let folks know that, you know, we...we...we are moving in the right direction. And I'm very excited about getting this committee off the ground because we...we've already missed one or two important issues that could have come to this advisory committee for South Maui in...in the time that we've...you know, we recessed the volunteer...volunteer committee. So appreciate you putting this on the agenda, Chair, and moving this along.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member King, for your due diligence with having to go through all the applicants, and I guess doing your own interview process as well. And for the record, the Mayor had nominated two others to this commission. If I can call upon Mr. Mossman, if he would like the opportunity to provide comment on the Mayor's two nominees to the South Maui Advisory Committee? Mr. Mossman,

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are you prepared? I'm sorry, I didn't probably alert you in advance, but do you have any comments as it relates, I believe, to Mr. Cook, Tom Cook, as well as, I believe, Mr. Pikrone from Wailea? Any thoughts, Mr. Mossman? Okay. I wonder if Mr. Mossman...I see he's still online. He might be preoccupied with another matter. But anyway...well, for the record, those were the two Mayor's nominees to the South Maui Advisory Committee, so...all right. With that said, Member King, can you again just restate for the record, for Staff's sake, your five nominees, as well as your two alternates?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Thanks, Chair. So the five nominees would be Debra Hughes, Robin Knox, Mike Moran, Ray Phillips, and Robert Weltman. And then the two alternates would be Bruce Bond and Bonnie Newman.

CHAIR MOLINA: Very good. Thank you very much, Member King. Okay. I see Mr. Mossman. I'd like to give you an opportunity to provide...provide some brief comments on the Mayor's two nominees to the South Maui Advisory Committee. And I believe it's Mr. Cook, as well as Mr. Pikrone. Go ahead, Mr. Mossman.

MR. MOSSMAN: Thank you very much. Sorry, I had to step out to answer a call. But we're very, very excited to have Mr. Cook and Mr. Pickering [sic] as the Mayor's nominees to the South Maui Advisory Board [sic]. And I think they will be...will help in a great deal in making this board work. And we look forward to...to welcoming them to the board.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you very much, Mr. Mossman. It sounds like you guys are having a lot of fun up there on the 9th Floor or wherever you're at.

MR. MOSSMAN: It's that everybody's got all these different little projects going on at the same time, yeah, so a lot of chattering.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Okay. Thank you. All right. Members, prior to the Chair calling for the vote, I see Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. You have the floor.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I just have a question, and before I ask my question, I'll just thank Member King for working hard to fill the Hawaiian expert seat. So my question is regarding the terms. Will that be determined during this meeting or at a future meeting?

CHAIR MOLINA: Good question. As it relates to the advisory committees, I was informed that because Hāna Advisory is overseen by the Planning Director, your Chair decided to allow...let the Planning Director determine the terms as it relates to this, if no one has any objections on that. I know for some of other boards and commissions we decided to take it upon ourselves to do a lottery system, or we just choose the...the term length as well as the nominee. But for this, I would like to just leave it for the Planning Director since they will be overseeing these, you know, advisory committees to determine the terms. Any comments on that, concerns?

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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: It...I mean if...if there aren't any objections, I guess, by the Committee Members, I can go along with that.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Sure. Members, any objections or concerns? Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Just to point...thank you, Chair. Just to point out that in the...the ordinance, that the alternates are designated for the shorter term, which I think is three years. So it would be the other five that, you know, there would be three and five-year terms, I believe, among the other...five and the two. And...and...and I'm not sure what they're doing with the Mayor...we're...we're not voting on the Mayor's appointments. So I'm not sure if they're making one of those three and one of those five-year terms. Maybe Mr. Mossman could...

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah. Yeah, Member King, you bring up a good point. I believe the Mayor informed us that he's given terms. I think that needs to be taken out of the record. We'll just leave it for the Planning Director. So I don't know if maybe Corp.--Corporation Counsel Mr. Whittaker would like to comment. But before that, Mr. Mossman, you had something to add?

MR. MOSSMAN: That's a good question, Council King...Councilwoman King. And I...we haven't gotten through that portion right now. I know there's some discussion on that, but nothing firm as of this...this moment now. But we will be reporting to you as soon as we understand where we go. And I'm sure we're going to follow the lead of...of Chair Mike Molina. Probably go around to make it less...you know, seamless in the process. So we're open for discussion on that.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Mossman. Mr. Whittaker, would you like to add to the conversation?

MR. WHITTAKER: Chair, yes. The statute indicates that the terms...that there are five-year terms and three-year terms. Councilmember King is correct that the alternates have three-year terms. The others can be determined how you wish, so it could be determined by lottery.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So Chair, can I just add...

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah, go ahead, Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yeah, I guess I can go along with having the Planning Director as long as there's kind of an equitable between the Mayor's appointments and our appointments so that, you know, there's among our five that we have so far that there would be three...three doing a five-year term and two doing a three-year term or vice versa. But you know, just not to make them all three-year terms.

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CHAIR MOLINA: Uh-huh. Good point. Yeah. So Members, that is the Chair's recommendation on that. Just again, in hearing your thoughts on leaving it to the Planning Director to determine the terms. Member Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Does the Planning Director know that she'll be doing this?

CHAIR MOLINA: Good question. I hope she's tuning in. But --

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: -- I...I believe they determine the...well, past history with the Hāna Advisory Committee, I...I...I believe it was the Planning Director had did that before, whether it be Ms. McLean or her predecessor. Good question. But hopefully it doesn't come as a surprise. I believe she is...from prior meetings with regards to advisory committees that at least she's understanding that the Planning Department will be overseeing the advisory committee. So maybe it's just adding something to her existing plate, and to be consistent with the Hāna Advisory Committee and procedurally and term-wise. So I guess it's...was just assumed by your Chair that the...the Planning Director is well, you know, aware that we're going to entrust her with this responsibility, so...

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo, Chair. And hopefully she'll follow our lead with using our super scientific method of picking terms.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah. Yeah. I'm...I'm sure she will be. And...and I was just informed by Committee Staff that when we discussed the terms and the process, that she was at our last GREAT meeting as it related to the advisory committees when this matter was discussed. So hopefully this doesn't come as too much of a big surprise to her.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. All right. Thank you. And thank you for bringing that topic up, very timely. Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. I had a question for Corp. Counsel.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Mr. Whittaker, we have a question for you from Member Paltin. Go ahead, Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Mr. Whittaker. I guess I just wanted to know about the legalities that...you know, we, in the ordinance, wanted a Native Hawaiian cultural expert. Would it be more appropriate to leave one slot for them now? Because there's an amendment and an ordinance that would need to be passed in order for such a person to get on the committee, and there's no guarantees

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that that could happen or the timeliness of it. So I just was wondering on the legalities of putting...leaving one slot open for them.

CHAIR MOLINA: Mr. Whittaker, go ahead.

MR. WHITTAKER: Councilmember Paltin, that would be fine to leave one spot open since it's required by the ordinance, or somebody...somebody who is currently nominated may be identified as that expert.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. So that would be my preference, like...you know, just there was a reason for that in the ordinance, and I think that we're not following the ordinance by not doing it that way, personally.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member Paltin. Okay. Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. And I just wanted to note that we passed the ordinance a couple of years ago. It probably took us six months to get that position filled for the existing planning commissions. So I don't think it's a legal issue. I think it could be, you know, once we identify somebody. Because we...we didn't have somebody for that position who had applied. But once we do identify somebody, if that...if the additional spots don't get added, we can replace somebody. But we...we...I mean, it was a great frustrate...I understand what Member Paltin is saying because it was a great frustration for me after we passed that ordinance to add the Native Hawaiian cultural expert that we didn't get one on some of these planning commissions for several months. But...and I'm not sure why that is. But you know, that's...we have every intention of doing that. So we could replace somebody once we do get that...that position filled. But right now, the biggest concern is to get this committee to start moving ahead so that they can...they can start addressing the really important decisions that are coming up in our community.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Member King, for your thoughts. Members, any other discussion as it relates to the motion on the floor? Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Sorry, I guess I...I misunderstood because I...there are five nominees, two alternates, and there's...but there's like six vacancies and two alternates. So I...I thought that that one spot was left open for the potential nominee that Member King mentioned earlier. Is my math wrong?

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Well, Member King, would you like to further elaborate on that? Now my...

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yeah, no...

CHAIR MOLINA: Go ahead.

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Your math is...your math isn't wrong, but there are five positions that we were...that the Council is allowed to by...by ordinance is allowed to appoint, plus two alternates. So I filled them with the applications that we had gotten, but we didn't get...you know, the...the couple of people I was working on to try to apply as the Native Hawaiian cultural expert didn't send in their applications. So I'm still working on that. But we...we could replace one of the five applicant...one of the five nominees if we appoint them with...and I don't...and I'm not sure how the deadline comes into play with that either because we did have a deadline for those initial applications. But I don't think the...I'm not sure if the...maybe...maybe Mr. Whittaker could enlighten us. I don't think the deadline applies if we're trying to fill the positions, that are...that are required by ordinance.

CHAIR MOLINA: Mr. Whittaker?

MR. WHITTAKER: The statute does require, you know, a Native Hawaiian expert, and I think it would be easier to keep one spot open. But if there's no applicant, you can go ahead and fill it. It just would be logistically difficult to take somebody off of a committee not for cause, and replace them once there is a qualified applicant.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. But the...the...my question about was, you know, we had an official deadline, but that the deadline doesn't apply to the two positions that are required. Because that...that was one of the reasons why I filled those positions is because we originally had a deadline that was set by this Committee. You know, we didn't have that application, which I'm still working on getting.

CHAIR MOLINA: Is that...Mr. Whittaker, would you like to respond? Would you like a response --

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yes, please.

CHAIR MOLINA: -- from Mr. Whittaker on that, Member King?

MR. WHITTAKER: Thank you, Chair. You can do...you can do it either way. It's really up to this Committee which way they...they want to go. They can fill the spot now with somebody...the applicants that you have, or you just keep a spot open. There's no legal requirement to keep one spot open now.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. It looks like, Chair, Mr. Forrest wants to chime in from OCS.

CHAIR MOLINA: Go ahead, Mr. Forrest.

MR. FORREST: Thank you, Chair. I just wanted to clarify the answer to the question. It was a Committee deadline, and not a legal deadline.

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much for that, Mr. Forrest. And yeah, just following up on that, there was no deadline to fill the seats per se. The deadline was established by the Committee just to receive applications, so it was just more the application deadline. Maybe for Corporation Counsel, Mr. Whittaker, so if we take action on all five, no problem there. But now when and if this committee decides to meet, and if there's no Native Hawaiian designee, can the committee proceed or take action on any matters if they don't have a member of the advisory committee designated as a Hawaiian cultural specialist?

MR. WHITTAKER: Thank you, Chair. The language is mandatory that there be a Native Hawaiian specialist, but you know, in the absence of that, if there is no applicant that meets those requirements, the Committee should be able to move forward with business.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: And Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: Go ahead, Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yeah, just to...I just wanted to note that that's a really interesting question because I asked that back in the day after we actually added that position to the ordinance, and some decisions were made by the planning commissions without a Native Hawaiian specialist. So if...if they were allowed to go ahead with making decisions without having that position filled, then I think they've set a precedent. And if it's not legal, I guess we would need to go back and look at those decisions that were made without that person in there...without the designee in there.

MR. WHITTAKER: I'm certainly not opining that it was not legal for them to take action. I think --

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

MR. WHITTAKER: -- that it was...it was legal for them to move forward.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Even though the requirement was there and they didn't have that position filled yet?

MR. WHITTAKER: That's right. If there was no applicant that meets those requirements, then the commission just can move forward with *(audio interference)*

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you. We have a question from Member Paltin. Go ahead.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I guess, you know, my point of view is that this body felt it was that important that that perspective be represented that we made it an ordinance. And by leaving the slot open for them, I don't feel like it would slow things down or hinder it. And that would have been the point for the two alternates. And so until the Native Hawaiian cultural expert position can be filled, they won't be acting or hearing things short staffed because there are two alternates, and one of the alternates can fill in for that slot until the position is filled, would be my point. And it's just an emphasis on the value of that position, for me, with the lack of otherwise diversity on there. I think it's important to at least hold that slot open for somebody.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member Paltin. You know, a thought just came to my mind. Member King, I know Mr. Weltman is very active with the Sierra Club, and I believe...is he the person you're designating as the conservation expert? I know he 'ōlelo's, he speaks Hawaiian. Now, he may not have been born and raised here, but something I'm just going to throw out there for the time being. Could a person serve in both capacities? I don't know if Mr. Whittaker wanted to add to that. Can they both serve as the conservation expert, as well as the Native Hawaiian expert? At least temporarily, until you get someone on board that would take that responsibility away from Mr. Weltman? Food for thought. Members, I know we've all heard Mr. Weltman speak and he 'ōlelo's pretty well, you know. Much better than me, I have Hawaiian blood and I...you know, I'm not, you know, certainly cannot speak on his level. But I don't know if that's possible. Is that legal, can they serve in both capacities, or must it be just one...two separate individuals? Mr. Whittaker?

MR. WHITTAKER: Thank you, Chair. No, I think the intent was to have one expert be a Native Hawaiian expert, and one be a conservation expert.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Right.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: But Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: We could certainly designate Robin Knox as the environmental expert. I mean, she's got the...the background in environmental and specifically water issues.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. That's an option. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I have two questions. One regarding the resolution, when we adopt the resolution nominating, we usually have the term that they'll serve. So I wanted to get clarification on how that resolution would look if

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we're not putting a term on it. And then second is on Granicus Item 26, Partial Board Listing, 11/30/2021, there are six vacancies listed on the spreadsheet. So that...that's why I thought there were six positions vacant for us. And it does say five on the top, but it's just...there's too many lines...with the Mayor's two filled out and then the two vacant alternates on the bottom of the spreadsheet. So just a correction on the spreadsheet. So it...it sounds...well, okay. So my preference would be what Mr. Whittaker was talking about, it...it...it would be difficult to go back after the fact, after someone's been appointed to fill a seat to then decide who to remove. And I think it would be more prudent of us to leave a seat open for a Native Hawaiian expert. While Mr. Weltman does 'ōlelo Hawai'i, I don't know if this Committee would consider that a Native Hawaiian expert. I wouldn't. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you for your thoughts, Vice-Chair. All right. So Members, we have, I guess, the option of moving...of course, Member King, possibly removing one of your nominees for the time being, and just moving forward with four members to serve and your two alternates. I mean, that is an option. Your thoughts, Member King? It would seem like some Members would prefer just moving forward with four active members and two alternates, and then at a later point, you get your Hawaiian cultural specialist, and we can bring that up in Committee to approve or consider. Your thoughts?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Well, I...I think I...you know, I think I've got a commitment, I'm not sure, so that could work. The only person of this list who's not...who I...who I guess I would say we...we might...well, we could replace...we could pull one of the...the alternates off and make somebody else an alternate because we do have two people from Maui Meadows. The...what I was trying to do is make sure we had somebody from each community area, which would be Debra Hughes, Rob Weltman, Mike Moran...well, Rob Weltman as the conservationist, Mike Moran, and...and then one person from Maui Meadows, which could be Robin Knox. So if we...if...if the body wants to do that, if there's a desire to...to leave that open spot, I believe we could still continue...we could...they could still meet because they would still have a quorum. Even...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And the alternate.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Doesn't it still have a quorum even if the Mayor's people didn't show up? Because four people would make a quorum, and then one of the alternates could fill in for the fifth. So if...if you want to do that, my recommendation would be to move Ray Phillips to the alternate position, and then remove Bonnie Newman from the alternate position.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. So you'd...so you're going to propose to amend your motion on the floor then at this point?

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Well, I think it was proposed by Member Paltin, so I don't know if that was a motion.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. I don't know if that was a formal motion made by Member Paltin. But whomever. If you or Member Paltin would like to amend the motion then, please go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: But...but...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Mine was just discussion.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. I mean, I guess....I guess we could take a straw poll and see if everybody wants to do that, leave that open position.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I do.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I do.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. I'll...I'll make a motion to leave a seat open, and then we can maybe take out...take up a second motion to choose which nominee would not be included in the main motion. So I move to keep one seat open for the Native Hawaiian expert that is defined in the Code: one, a college degree in a relevant field such as Hawaiian studies, Native Hawaiian law, Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices, including traditional environmental practices or related subject area; two, work history that demonstrates an appropriate level of knowledge in Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices, including traditional environmental practices; and three, substantial experience as a Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practitioner.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. All right. Is there a second to the motion?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Seconded by Member Johnson. So as I understand this, we're amending the existing motion on the floor; am I correct? To remove? Just want to make sure I get a handle --

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

CHAIR MOLINA: -- on procedural. Okay. So we have an amendment proposed by Member Rawlins-Fernandez. Discussion? Member Rawlins-Fernandez as the maker of the motion, followed by Member King.

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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. So the intention is to leave one seat open to be in accordance with our Code to have that one seat filled by a Native Hawaiian practitioner or expert as defined in the Code. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. I...I just wanted to clarify that the three qualifications that Member Rawlins-Fernandez read off were...it was one of the three, so...because that needs to be stated because I think the person I'm talking to doesn't...wouldn't fit all those three. But the intent was one of those three. So I'm going to support this. And I'm going to make a motion to amend the motion that's on the floor to have...to name as the...the permanent members, Robin Knox, Mike Moran, Debra Hughes...

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. You know what, Member King? Maybe what we'll do, let's just take a vote on Member Rawlins' amendment first, and then we can go to you after we take action on Member Rawlins-Fernandez's amendment to leave one position vacant. I don't know if that's cleaner.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh.

CHAIR MOLINA: Can we do it that way?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Okay. Let's have discussion. Any discussion on Member Rawlins-Fernandez's motion, which is to have one position vacant for the Hawaiian cultural specialist? Any discussion on that before we take the vote on that amendment? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. Yeah, I certainly wouldn't want to remove someone from this board. I...I'd rather leave a seat open and follow the process of doing the other action that Member King wants to do, and at that time we can do what needs to be done, if...if that passes or if that gets heard. So my preference is definitely to not remove, but add as necessary in accordance with the ordinance. Thank you.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member Paltin. Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. Yeah, I think this is a...actually a good move. And I...and I hope it sets a precedent going forward that if we...you know, for the other planning commissions and advisory committees, that if we do lose the person who's a

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Native Hawaiian cultural expert that that position stays open until we can find another person to fill that position...and same thing with the environmental person. Because that was a big issue for me after we passed those...you know, in my Committee, we passed the environmental expert...I mean the Native Hawaiian expert because we couldn't get the votes for the environmental expert. And then, you know, in the...in the last term we added the environmental expert. But those positions didn't get filled for a while. So I think it's a good move that Member Paltin has brought up, so we keep those positions open until we get the appropriate person to fill them. And hopefully that will set a precedent.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member King. All right. Seeing no other discussion on the proposed amendment, Chair is going to call for the vote on Member Rawlins' amendment. All those in favor signify by saying "aye" and raising your hand.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Any opposition?

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: AMEND RESOLUTION.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. No opposition, Chair will mark it eight "ayes" with one excusal, Member Kama. So the motion has been amended. Okay. Now let's go to Chair King [sic] with another amendment to the motion as amended.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Thank you, Chair. So I move to amend the...the...the approvals of the nominees to include to Debra Hughes, Robin Knox, Mike Moran, and Robert Weltman as the permanent...as the...is that considered permanent, I guess, as the members of the South Maui Advisory Committee; with Bruce Bond and Ray Phillips as the two alternates. And just – well, I guess I'll wait until I get a second.

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CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Is there a second to the motion?

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: All right. Seconded by Chair Lee. Okay. Member King, as the maker of the motion to amend, any other discussion?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. I think...yeah, I think we've already discussed this enough. But I just wanted to add that since there are four members, I would...I would strongly urge the Planning Director that two...to give two of those members a three year and two of those members a five-year term, you know, and split it up that way since she's going to be in charge.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Thank you, Member King.

MR. WHITTAKER: Chair, may I --

CHAIR MOLINA: And...

MR. WHITTAKER: May I clarify?

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Who's that...oh, I'm sorry. Mr. Whittaker, go ahead.

MR. WHITTAKER: Yeah. I just wanted to note that the resolution as written provides that the Council requests that the Planning Director perform the term selection by lot and inform the Council --

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh.

MR. WHITTAKER: -- of the resulting terms. So it'll be done by lot.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. But would that...will that be like a lot...a lottery among just the Councilmembers...Councilmember...of Council-appointed members and then a lottery of the Mayor's separately or would that be all seven? Do you know what that...the interpretation (*audio interference*)

MR. WHITTAKER: That's a very good question. Since this resolution relates to the Council appointees, that I presume that the Planning Director would and should just perform a lot for all the appointees at...at once.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. All right. Thank you, Mr. Whittaker. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez?

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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I was trying to write it down quickly. May I ask Member King to repeat who...who is the four?

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Debra Hughes, who represents the Mā'alaea Village Association; Mike Moran from the Kihei Community Association; Rob Weltman, who would be the conservation expert; and Robin Knox, who will represent the Maui Meadows Association.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo for...

CHAIR MOLINA: And does that include the alternates as well, Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh, and then the two alternates would be Bruce Bond and Raymond Phillips.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Got it. Okay. Mahalo for repeating that. And you know, mahalo for doing this. I know it must...it's not easy to do this after you've likely already spoken to all the nominees and let them know that you were nominating them. But I hope, you know, they're...everyone's watching and know that, you know, their...their contribution and their willingness to serve is absolutely appreciated and valued. And that this isn't the end, this is just the beginning. And I hope that they'll, you know, continue to participate and, you know, be willing to serve in the future. The first term will be up in three years, and we always need, you know, willing community volunteers to serve on these boards that are knowledgeable. And when we interviewed all of the nominees, I...I thought they were all exceptional. And you know, I just wanted to add that, you know, I think Mr. Weltman's watching, I hope he wasn't offended by any of the comments I...knowing Mr. Weltman and how much he loves the culture and the language of our...our people here, that he would have likely not wanted to take that seat on the board...on this committee. And you know, I appreciate and admire how much he loves our culture here. So mahalo, Member King. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR MOLINA: Mahalo, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Members, any other discussion as it relates to the motion on the floor, which is to amend the motion, Member King's proposal? All right. Seeing none. Then let's go ahead and take the vote, Members. All those in favor signify by saying "aye" and raising your hand.

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: Any opposition?

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VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: AMEND RESOLUTION.

CHAIR MOLINA: No opposition. Chair will mark it eight "ayes," one excusal, Member Kama. Congratulations, Member King. So these individuals will move forward to the full Council for a final vote. Members, I don't know about you, but I'm ready for a break.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair?

CHAIR MOLINA: Yes, Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Just that was an amendment that we voted on, so...

CHAIR MOLINA: Oh, yes, yes, yes. We got to go back to the main motion as...as amended. All right. Thank you. Thank you for that clarifying. All right. Let's now go back to the...the main motion as amended. All those in favor signify by raising your hand and saying "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

CHAIR MOLINA: All those opposed?

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VOTE: **AYES:** Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ACTION: ADOPTION OF REVISED RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DEBRA HUGHES, ROBIN KNOX, MIKE MORAN, AND ROBERT WELTMAN, AS MEMBERS TO THE SOUTH MAUI ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND BRUCE BOND AND RAYMOND PHILLIPS AS ALTERNATES.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: Boy, you guys are sharp. You guys got eagle eyes and wonderful ears. Okay. All right. So with that said, we will address our next item, GREAT-34, after we take our morning break. So Members, ten minutes okay? All right. Sounds good. All right. Members, the GREAT Committee meeting for Tuesday, November 30th is now in recess until 11:05 a.m. Meeting in recess. . . .*(gavel)*. . .

RECESS: 10:54 a.m.

RECONVENE: 11:07 a.m.

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Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez to facilitate this item. So that way I can make my appeal from the floor as it relates to my recommendation. So if there are no objections, I will turn over the facilitation of this particular item to Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Any objections?

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIR MOLINA: Okay. So ordered. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, you have it.

GREAT-34 APPOINTMENTS TO PAIA-HAIKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CC 21-229)

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. All right. So we are on GREAT-34, Appointments to Pā'ia-Ha'ikū Committee. Proposal (*audio interference*) under GREAT-34 attaches Exhibit B, which lists 11 applicants who applied by the 4:30 p.m. deadline on September 30th. And we'll go to our area representative, GREAT Committee Chair Molina for his recommendation.

CHAIR MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair. And Members, thank you for all your hard work today and your due diligence as it relates to the previous item as well. For the Pā'ia-Ha'ikū Advisory Committee, as Members, you recall, we did the interviews of all of the applicants. And so today we are at a point where as your...the area representative I would like to offer these recommendations to serve on this particular board. The names are as follows, as active members I should state it as such, Adrian Boone, Lucienne deNaie, Andrea Kealoha, Reba...Reba O'Connor [*sic*]--and by the way, Members, she informed me that she has a new last name, which will be Lopez, we will get that officially in writing from her at some point--and Tim Wolfe, as the five Council-designated members for this advisory committee; and as alternates, Matthew McDonald and Nikhilananda. So that would be my motion to approve. And for the record, I'm going to designate Ms. Francine Aarona, who was appointed by the Mayor, as the Hawaiian cultural expert; and for the environmental or conservation expert, Ms. Lucienne deNaie. So that is my motion, and I will hope for a second.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Second. Second.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Moved by...moved by Member Molina, seconded by Council Chair Lee. And again, the terms would be determined by the Planning Director for this committee as well. Member Molina, as the maker of the motion?

CHAIR MOLINA: Yes. Thank you very much, Madam Chair, and thank you, Members. I would appreciate you considering these recommendations. All of them were very...did very, very well in their interviews...as well as the individuals that I'm not recommending, I want to thank them. We're very blessed with a wonderful pool of applicants. And also, I would like to mention for the record, Mr. Rod Antone is also the Mayor's designee for this advisory committee. And Madam Chair, at some point if

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you'd like to recognize Mr. Mossman from the Mayor's Office to provide comments on his two nominees, I...I leave it for you...at your discretion. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Committee Chair Molina. Members, any other discussion to the motion? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Can Member Molina repeat the names one more time?

CHAIR MOLINA: Sure. Of course. Adrian Boone, Lucienne deNaie, Andrea Kealoha, Reba...Rebecca O'Day, but her new last name will be Lopez, and Tim Wolfe, as the five full-time members, and the two alternates, Nikhilananda and Matthew McDonald, both as alternates.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Paltin. Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. And then just for the record, Francine Aarona aka "Aunty Mopsy," was appointed by the Mayor, along with Rod Antone. I want to get that out there, so people understand.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member King. Anyone else wishing to discuss? Member Sugimura, did you want to provide any comments on the main motion?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: No comments. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Sugimura. Mr. Mossman, are you still with us?

MR. MOSSMAN: Yes, ma'am. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Would you like *(audio interference)* Please, if you'd like to provide any comments on the *(audio interference)*

MR. MOSSMAN: Just...thank you, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Yeah, the Mayor is very excited to...to get this board off and running. And Aunty Mopsy...Francine Aarona and Rod Antone have been the selectees or the nominees of the Mayor's Office. We're very excited about...about seeing this advisory board get off and running. And you know, whatever we can do to help support that, we...you have our total support. And I appreciate what...what the Council's doing at this point, so we're all good. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Mr. Mossman. Okay. I think I don't see any other hands, so we'll call for the main motion. And Committee Chair Molina, so just

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wanted to clarify procedurally. The main motion for both of these items are to recommend adoption --

CHAIR MOLINA: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- on first reading at the Council. And Member King's motion was an amendment to that main motion. And your motion is also an amendment to that motion or...

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah. You know, thank you for bringing it up. Yes. Actually technically it should be to amend the proposed resolution to insert the names that I mentioned, the five members, so that would be the, I guess, proper way to state the motion. And thank you for clarifying that. So...yeah. So actually, basically the motion is to amend the proposed resolution to insert the five names that I mentioned as members and the two alternates to Exhibit A.

COUNCILMEMBER Lee: Second.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo...

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah, yeah. Yeah, technically we already had a motion on the floor, so I just wanted to add --

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

CHAIR MOLINA: -- clarification to the motion that was made. Yeah. My...my...my apologies.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Mahalo. So that is...so we did have that main motion to adopt the...recommend adoption of the resolution.

CHAIR MOLINA: Yeah. And what I should have done was to amend at that time, so...by adding those names. That's how I should have stated it. So kind of walking on some uncharted waters here, so thanks for bearing with me.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Molina, for the motion, and then Council Chair Lee reconfirming the second to that motion to amend the main motion, which is to adopt...recommend adoption of the resolution. So I'll call for the vote on the motion to insert the five names and the two alternates to the main motion. All those in favor of the motion to amend, please raise your hand and say "aye."

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COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

**VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez,
 Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci,
 and Sugimura.**

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

MOTION CARRIED.

**ACTION: ADOPTION OF REVISED RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ADRIAN
BOONE, LUCIENNE deNAIE, ANDREA KEALOHA, REBECCA
O'DAY, AND TIMOTHY WOLFE, AS MEMBERS TO THE PAIA-
HAIKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND MATTHEW McDONALD
AND NIKHILANANDA AS ALTERNATES.**

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. All "ayes," zero "noes," one excused, Pro Tem Kama. Okay. Is there anything else you would like for me to do while I have the rostrum, the virtual rostrum, Member Molina?

CHAIR MOLINA: Well, if you would like...if you want to go...I believe that concludes our agenda. So if you want to close it, you want to do the honors to close the meeting and check with Committee Staff if there's anything else. I leave it to you.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair? Isn't...isn't there a main motion, still?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, you're right. Mahalo, Member King. Okay. So now we have the main motion as amended by Member King by inserting the South Maui names, and Member Molina by inserting the Pā'ia-Ha'ikū names. So we'll take a vote on the main motion, and then we'll...yeah. Okay. So any other discussion on the main motion as amended? Seeing none. I'll call for the question. All those in favor, please raise your hand and say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS VOICED AYE.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Paltin, and Member Sugimura?

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COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yes, "aye."

VOTE: AYES: Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, Councilmembers Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura.

EXC.: Councilmember Kama.

ACTION: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AS AMENDED.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay, bye.

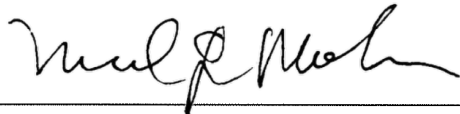
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VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. It's 11:18 on November 30th, and the GREAT Committee is now adjourned. . . .(gavel). . .

ADJOURN: 11:18 a.m.

APPROVED BY:



MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair
Government Relations, Ethics, and
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CERTIFICATION

I, Daniel Schoenbeck, hereby certify that pages 1 through 50 of the foregoing represents, to the best of my ability, a true and correct transcript of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not in any way concerned with the cause.

DATED the 7th day of January 2022, in Kula, Hawai'i



Daniel Schoenbeck