

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
POLICY COMMITTEE

August 23, 2011

Committee
Report No. _____

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

Chair and Members:

Your Policy Committee, having met on August 3, 2011, makes reference to County Communication No. 11-176, from the Economic Development Coordinator, recommending that Councilmember Mike White serve as the ex-officio member on the Workforce Investment Board.

According to the County Communication, the Honorable Rosalyn Baker currently serves in that capacity, but has been unable to attend the board's meetings.

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-220) is a Federal law enacted to consolidate, coordinate, and improve employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs in the United States. The Act provides for the establishment of both State and local workforce investment boards. The purpose of a local workforce investment board is to set policy for the portion of the statewide workforce investment system within the local area. According to an Economic Development Specialist, Office of Economic Development, who serves as the Executive Director of the County (local) workforce investment board, Councilmember White is being recommended for the County board.

The Economic Development Specialist advised your Committee that an ex-officio member is not a requirement of the board, that no Council action is required, and that the communication was intended to be informational.

Your Committee discussed Councilmember White's participation as an ex-officio member of the board. Your Committee noted that he would provide an excellent County government resource for the board.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend filing of the communication. Committee Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair Carroll, and members Baisa, Cochran, Couch, Mateo, Pontanilla, and White voted "aye". Committee member Victorino was excused.

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Your Policy Committee RECOMMENDS that County Communication
No. 11-176 be FILED.

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



G. RIKI HOKAMA, Chair

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