

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

November 7, 2003

Committee
Report No. 03-138

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

Chair and Members:

Your Government Relations Committee, having met on October 15, 2003, makes reference to County Communication No. 03-25, from the Council Chair, relating to the matter of nominations to boards, committees and commissions.

By correspondence dated September 29, 2003, the Mayor transmitted a listing of nominees to the various boards, committees and commissions, along with their personal history forms. The nominees are as follows:

A. COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

1. Felecia Shin, replacing Mitchell Elliot, expiring on March 31, 2005.

B. COMMISSION ON NAMING STREETS, PARKS, AND FACILITIES

1. Bonnie Baxter, replacing Verna Nahulu, expiring on March 31, 2008.

C. COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

1. Cindy Clark, replacing Edward Long, expiring on March 31, 2005.

D. COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

1. Eric Okazaki, replacing Douglas Halbert, expiring on March 31, 2005; and
2. Vanessa Medeiros, replacing Marianne Vasquez, expiring on March 31, 2005.

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E. COUNCIL ON AGING

1. Katherine Burrows, replacing Kimie Lane, expiring on March 31, 2006.

F. MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSION

1. James "Bill" Feeter, replacing Lorna Reyes, expiring on March 31, 2004.

Your Committee notes the following appointment procedures for the various boards, committees and commissions:

1. For most of the boards, committees and commissions, the Mayor is required to submit nominees 60 to 70 days before the prior members' terms expire, and the Council must approve or disapprove the nominee within 60 days thereafter or the nominee is deemed appointed. If the Council disapproves of a nominee, it shall immediately notify the Mayor of its action. In the event that the Council fails to approve or disapprove of a nominee within the time period provided, the nominee shall be deemed appointed to fill the vacancy upon its occurrence. This procedure applies to the following boards, committees and commissions:
 - A. Affirmative Action Advisory Council (Maui County Code, Sections 2.29.010, 2.29.020, and 2.40.080; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
 - B. Animal Control Board (Maui County Code, Section 6.04.095; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2.17);
 - C. Board of Code Appeals (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.190 and 16.20A.190; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
 - D. Board of Ethics (Maui County Charter, Sections 10-2, 13-2);
 - E. Board of Variances and Appeals (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-8.7 and 13-2);

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- F. Board of Water Supply (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-11.3 and 13-2);
- G. Civil Service Commission (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-9.4, 13-2; Hawaii Revised Statutes, Sections 76-71 and 76-47);
- H. Commission on Children and Youth (Maui County Code, Section 2.39.010; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- I. Commission on Culture and the Arts (Maui County Code, Chapter 2.37 and Section 2.40.200; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- J. Commission on Naming Streets, Parks, and Facilities (Maui County Code, Sections 2.38.030 and 2.40.140; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- K. Commission on Persons With Disabilities (Maui County Code, Sections 2.32.020 and 2.32.030; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- L. Cost of Government Commission (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-15.2, 3-15.3, and 13.2);
- M. Council on Aging (Maui County Code, Sections 2.34.020, 2.34.030, and 2.40.010; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- N. Fire and Public Safety Commission (Maui County Charter, Section 8-7.2 and 13-2);
- O. Hana Advisory Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.28.060 and 2.40.130; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- P. Lanai Planning Commission (Maui County Code, Section 2.28.025; Maui County Charter, Sections 8-8.4 and 13-2);

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- Q. Liquor Control Adjudication Board (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-13.3 and 13-2);
- R. Liquor Control Commission (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-13.2 and 13-2);
- S. Maui County Cultural Resources Commission (Maui County Code, Sections 2.88.030 and 2.40.110; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- T. Maui County Grants Review Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.160 and 3.36.020; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- U. Maui Planning Commission (Maui County Code, Section 2.28.010; Maui County Charter, Sections 8-8.4 and 13-2);
- V. Molokai Planning Commission (Maui County Code, Section 2.28.020; Maui County Charter, Sections 8-8.4 and 13-2);
- W. Police Commission (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-12.2 and 13-2);
- X. Real Property Tax Review Board (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.170 and 3.48.620; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- Y. Salary Commission (Maui County Code, Section 2.40.210 and Chapter 2.42; and Maui County Charter, Sections 8-16.1 and 13-2);
- Z. Street Lighting Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.030, 12.17.010, and 12.17.020; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);

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- AA. Subdivision Engineering Standards Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.020 and 18.40.010; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2); and
- 2. For the following boards, committees and commissions, the Mayor is required to submit nominees for Council approval, but there is no time limitation for the Council's approval. These boards, committees and commissions are:
 - A. Kula Agricultural Park Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.180 and 22.04.070);
 - B. Maui Redevelopment Agency (Maui County Code, Section 2.40.050; Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 53-2);
 - C. Napili Bay Civic Improvement District Advisory Committee (Maui County Code, Section 19.34.030); and
 - D. Urban Design Review Board (Maui County Code, Sections 2.26.030 and 2.40.100; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2.1).
- 3. For the following boards, committees and commissions, members are appointed by the Mayor with notice to, but without approval by, the County Council. These boards, committees and commissions are:
 - A. Committee on the Status of Women (Maui County Code, Section 2.40.090; Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 367-4);
 - B. Maui County Arborist Review Board (Maui County Code, Section 12.24A.030; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2); and
 - C. Traffic Safety Council (Maui County Code, Section 2.36.010; Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 266-6).

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Your Committee further notes that the deadline for the Council to approve or disapprove of the nominees who are subject to the 60-day Council approval process is December 1, 2003.

By correspondence dated October 6, 2003, your Committee's Chair inquired whether there were any requests among the members of the Council to interview the nominees to the various boards, committees and commissions.

Your Committee received requests from members of the Council to interview James "Bill" Feeter, nominee to the Molokai Planning Commission.

By correspondence dated October 6, 2003, the Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor informed your Committee that the Administration had inadvertently identified the nominee to the Commission on Children and Youth as Lisa Shin. Her formal name is Felecia May Shin.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

Your Committee received public testimony from one person supporting the nomination of James "Bill" Feeter.

Your Committee proceeded to conduct an interview with Mr. Feeter.

Based on the public testimony and the information received, your Committee voted to recommend approval of the nominations.

Your Government Relations Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That the following nominees to County boards, committees and commissions be APPROVED:
 - A. COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH
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2. That a copy of this committee report be TRANSMITTED to the Mayor of the County of Maui.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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