

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

February 21, 2003

Committee
Report No. 03-19

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

Chair and Members:

Your Government Relations Committee, having met on February 5, 2003, makes reference to the following:

1. County Communication No. 03-22, from the former Mayor, submitting the following nominees to various boards, committees and commissions for terms expiring on March 31, 2005, along with their personal history forms:
 - A. Maui County Grants Review Committee
 1. Helen Kagehiro (replacing Rodolfo Dieguez); and
 - B. Fire and Public Safety Commission
 1. Darrell Stokes (replacing James Lloy).
2. County Communication 03-25, from the Council Chair, relating to the matter of nominations to boards, committees and commissions.

By correspondence dated January 21, 2003, the Council Chair transmitted correspondence dated January 16, 2003 from the Mayor, nominating Grelyn Rosario (replacing Joseph Pontanilla) to the Maui Planning Commission for a term expiring on March 31, 2006.

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

1. For most of the boards, commissions, and advisory committees, 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

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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 and commissions:

- A. Fire and Public Safety Commission (Maui County Charter, Sections 8-7.2, 13-2);
- B. Maui County Grants Review Committee (Maui County Code, Sections 2.40.160 and 3.36.020; Maui County Charter, Section 13-2);
- C. Maui Planning Commission (Maui County Code, Section 2.28.010; Maui County Charter, Sections 8-8.4, 13-2);

Your Committee further notes that the Council must approve or disapprove of the Maui County Grants Review Committee and the Fire and Public Safety Commission nominations by February 28, 2003 (60-day deadline), or they will be deemed approved. The Council must approve or disapprove of the Maui Planning Commission nomination by March 18, 2003 (60-day deadline), or it will be deemed approved.

By correspondence dated January 28, 2003 your Committee Chair inquired whether there were any requests among the members of the Council to interview the nominees to the various boards, commissions, and advisory committees.

Your Committee received requests from members of the Council to interview the following nominees:

- 1. Helen Kagehiro, Maui County Grants Review Committee;
- 2. Darrell Stokes, Fire and Public Safety Commission; and
- 3. Grelyn Rosario, Maui Planning Commission.

At its meeting, your Committee met with an Executive Assistant from the Office of the Mayor and the Acting Corporation Counsel.

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Your Committee Chair noted that Darrell Stokes was not able to attend the meeting due to an airline delay.

There being no public testimony, your Committee proceeded to conduct interviews with Helen Kagehiro and Grelyn Rosario.

Following the interviews, your Committee voted to recommend approval of all of the proposed nominees.

Your Government Relations Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That the following nominees to County boards, committees and commissions be APPROVED (for terms expiring on March 31, 2005, unless otherwise indicated):
 - A. Maui County Grants Review Committee
 1. Helen Kagehiro (replacing Rodolfo Dieguez).
 - B. Fire and Public Safety Commission
 1. Darrell Stokes (replacing James Lloy).
 - C. Maui County Planning Commission
 1. Grelyn Rosario (replacing Joseph Pontanilla), expiring on March 31, 2006.
2. That a copy of this committee report be TRANSMITTED to the Mayor of the County of Maui; and
3. That County Communication No. 03-22 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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