

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Voting Members:

Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Chair; Augie Tulba, Vice-Chair;
Carol Fukunaga, Calvin Say

Committee Meeting Held
September 22, 2021

Honorable Tommy Waters
Council Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Public Safety, to which was referred Resolution 21-150 entitled:

"RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DAVID MATLIN TO SERVE ON THE FIRE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU,"

transmitted by Mayor's Message 96, dated June 22, 2021, and updated by Mayor's Message 109, dated July 20, 2021, from Mayor Rick Blangiardi, and introduced on June 22, 2021, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to confirm the appointment of David Matlin to serve on the Fire Commission of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on December 31, 2024.

A public hearing on Mr. Matlin's appointment was held on July 7, 2021.

At your Committee's meetings on July 21, 2021 and September 22, 2021, Mr. Matlin testified and answered questions from Councilmembers. Mr. Matlin indicated that he will actively work toward becoming an effective contributor as a member of the Fire Commission, which would include meeting with various Honolulu Fire Department officials and visiting fire stations throughout Oahu.

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Mr. Matlin explained that with respect to the Fire Commission's ongoing deliberations regarding the hiring of the next Fire Chief, the process would be flawed if he were to be appointed and cast the deciding vote on the Fire Commission after not being a part of candidate vetting and interviewing processes. To this end, Mr. Matlin said that he would abstain from the vote regarding the hiring of the next Fire Chief.

At your Committee's meeting on September 22, 2021, one individual remotely testified and offered comments on the Resolution.

At your Committee's meeting on July 21, 2021, your Committee amended the Resolution to the posted CD1 and postponed action on the Resolution. The CD1 makes the following amendments:

- A. Revises the first WHEREAS clause to correctly reference that the Fire Commission now consists of seven (not five) members.
- B. Revises the fourth WHEREAS clause to include reference to Mayor's Message 109, dated July 20, 2021, which included an updated NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM that conforms to the text of this resolution.
- C. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

Your Committee has reviewed the qualifications and character of Mr. Matlin and finds that he meets the requirements to serve as a member of the Fire Commission of the City and County of Honolulu.

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Your Committee on Public Safety is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 21-150, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 21-150, CD1. (Ayes: Fukunaga, Say, Tsuneyoshi, Tulba - 4; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DAVID MATLIN TO SERVE ON THE FIRE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 6-1005, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (revised 2017 Edition) ("Charter"), establishes a Fire Commission ("Commission") consisting of seven members; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-1006 sets forth the powers, duties, and functions of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Charter Section 13-103, the members of the Commission are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council ("Council") and serve for staggered five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's Message ("MM") 96, dated June 22, 2021, and MM-109, dated July 20, 2021, the Mayor has appointed Mr. David Matlin to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Matlin will replace Ms. Stefanie Lee, who has resigned from the Commission, and serve for the remainder of Ms. Lee's term to expire on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-103, which applies to the Commission, requires that appointees to all City boards and commissions that are subject to that section be registered voters of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Mr. Matlin's qualifications and character and finds that he qualifies to serve on the Commission and deserves confirmation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Mr. David Matlin to the Fire Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Matlin for his willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in city government; and



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No. 21-150, CD1

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Fire Chief, the Chair of the Fire Commission, and David Matlin.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

June 22, 2021
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers