INAUGURAL MEETING

DECEMBER 1, 2020

The Inaugural Meeting of the Council of the County of Kaua‘i was called to order by Chair Pro Tem Derek S.K. Kawakami, at the Historic County Building, Līhu‘e, Kaua‘i, on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 12:02 p.m.

Mayor Kawakami (via remote technology): I hereby appoint Jade K. Fountain-Tanigawa as the temporary County Clerk. Are the credentials of the Councilmembers in order?

JADE K. FOUNTAIN-TANIGAWA, Temporary County Clerk: The Credentials Committee has filed a report which shows that the credentials of the Councilmembers are in order and that the Oath of Office has been given.

Mayor Kawakami: Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

The following Members answered the call of the roll:

Honorable Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.
Honorable Mason K. Chock
Honorable Felicia Cowden
Honorable Bill DeCosta
Honorable Luke A. Evslin
Honorable Arryl Kaneshiro
Honorable KipuKai Kuali‘i

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) Members are present.

Mayor Kawakami: May I get a motion and a second to approve the agenda?

APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Councilmember Carvalho moved for approval of the agenda as circulated, seconded by Councilmember Cowden, and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

All public testimony for the Inaugural Meeting will be taken at the beginning of the Meeting. Each speaker shall have three (3) minutes to speak on each agenda item and shall identify which agenda item(s) the testimony relates to, prior to speaking.
Mayor Kawakami: During this Inaugural Meeting, we will be taking all public testimony at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker will have three (3) minutes for each agenda item, should they wish to use this time. Please specify which agenda item you are speaking on when giving testimony. Madam Clerk, is there anyone signed up to speak during the Public Testimony period?

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Mayor, no one has signed up to speak.

APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON.

Mayor Kawakami: The floor is now open for nominations for Council Chairperson.

Councilmember Kuali'i nominated Arryl Kaneshiro as Council Chairperson, seconded by Councilmember DeCosta.

Mayor Kawakami: Are there any further nominations? If not, nominations are now closed. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, can I please get a roll call vote for the appointment of Councilmember Arryl Kaneshiro as Council Chair?

The motion to nominate Arryl Kaneshiro as Council Chairperson was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR MOTION: Carvalho, Chock, Cowden, DeCosta, Evslin, Kaneshiro, Kuali'i TOTAL - 7,
AGAINST MOTION: None TOTAL - 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL - 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL - 0.

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) ayes.

Mayor Kawakami: Congratulations.

Mayor Kawakami, the Chair Pro Tem, relinquished Chairmanship to Arryl Kaneshiro.

(Mayor Kawakami was noted as not present.)

APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNCIL VICE CHAIRPERSON.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: The floor is now open for nominations for Council Vice Chairperson.

Councilmember Evslin nominated Mason K. Chock as Council Vice Chairperson, seconded by Councilmember DeCosta.
Council Chair Kaneshiro: Are there any further nominations? If not, nominations are now closed. Is there any further discussion? May I please get a roll call vote on the appointment of Councilmember Mason K. Chock as Council Vice Chair?

The motion to nominate Mason K. Chock as Council Vice Chairperson was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR MOTION: Carvalho, Chock, Cowden, DeCosta, Evslin, Kuali‘i, Kaneshiro TOTAL – 7,
AGAINST MOTION: None TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0.

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) ayes.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Councilmember Chock is elected as Council Vice Chair. Clerk, can we have the next item?

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 2021-01 – RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF KAUA‘I

Councilmember Carvalho moved for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-01, seconded by Councilmember Cowden.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: It has been moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2021-01, which appoints Jade K. Fountain-Tanigawa as the County Clerk for the term commencing December 1, 2020. Is there any discussion? If not, roll call vote.

The motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-01 was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADOPTION: Carvalho, Chock, Cowden, DeCosta, Evslin, Kuali‘i, Kaneshiro TOTAL – 7,
AGAINST ADOPTION: None TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0.

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) ayes.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Motion passes. Resolution No. 2021-01 is approved. The County Clerk has also submitted a Communication which will be addressed later, reappointing Scott K. Sato as the Deputy County Clerk. The Chair will now call for a recess for the swearing-in of our County Clerk and Deputy County Clerk.
There being no objections, the meeting recessed at 12:06 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:07 p.m., and proceeded as follows:

Council Chair Kaneshiro: We are back from recess. Clerk, could you read the next item please?


Councilmember Kualiʻi moved for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-02, seconded by Councilmember Carvalho.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: It has been moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2021-02, which are the Council Rules that the Council will follow for this term. Is there any discussion? If not, roll call vote, please.

The motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-02 was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADOPTION: Carvalho, Chock, Cowden, DeCosta, Evslin, Kualiʻi, Kaneshiro TOTAL – 7,
AGAINST ADOPTION: None TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None TOTAL – 0.

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) ayes.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Resolution No. 2021-02 is approved. Clerk, next item, please.


Councilmember Kualiʻi moved for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-03, seconded by Councilmember Cowden.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: It has been moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2021-03, which provides the Committee structure, Chairs, Vice Chairs, and Members of each of the Council’s Committees for this term. Is there any discussion? If not, roll call vote.
The motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2021-03 was then put, and carried by the following vote:

FOR ADOPTION: Carvalho, Chock, Cowden, DeCosta, Evslin, Kuali'i, Kaneshiro  TOTAL – 7,
AGAINST ADOPTION: None  TOTAL – 0,
EXCUSED & NOT VOTING: None  TOTAL – 0,
RECUSED & NOT VOTING: None  TOTAL – 0.

Ms. Fountain-Tanigawa: Seven (7) ayes.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Resolution No. 2021-03 is approved. Clerk, next item, please.

COMMUNICATION:

C 2021-01 Communication (11/25/2020) from the County Clerk-Designee submitting for Council informational purposes, the re-appointment of Scott K. Sato as the Deputy County Clerk

Councilmember Evslin moved to receive C 2021-01 for the record, seconded by Councilmember Chock.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: It has been moved and seconded to receive Communication C 2021-01 for the record. Is there any discussion?

The motion to receive C 2021-01 for the record was then put, and unanimously carried.

Council Chair Kaneshiro: Motion carried. There being no further business and hearing no objections, this meeting stands adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the Council Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JADE R. FOUNTAIN-TANIGAWA
County Clerk