

GM568

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission,
Gubernatorial Nominee, CHAD M. MCDONALD, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.**

CHAD M. MCDONALD

747 Amana St., Suite 216
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March 28, 2011

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz
State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Nomination to the Land Use Commission

Aloha Senator Dela Cruz,

Thank you for your letter dated March 22, 2011 regarding my nomination to the State of Hawaii Land Use Commission. I appreciate your consideration as well as the Committee on Water, Land and Housing, and humbly request your support as part of the confirmation process. As requested, I hereby submit my written statement to the questions noted in your letter to assist the Senate with the confirmation process.

I would like to provide you a brief introduction of my personal background. I was born and raised in Kailua, Oahu and graduated from Kamehameha School. I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California and have since worked in the private sector of Hawaii for the past 17 years. My planning, engineering, design and consulting experiences have included a wide range of different type projects for the Counties of Hawaii, State, Federal, and Private clients.

The following are responses to your questions, which will assist in providing the necessary information that affirms my qualifications for the Land Use Commission.

1. Why do you wish to be a member of the Land Use Commission?
Land, especially in Hawaii, is a vital, precious, and limited resource for the people of Hawaii. For this reason, I want to be a part of and involved with those decisions which may have a lasting impact on our environment and communities.
2. How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Land Use Commission?
I believe the role and responsibilities as a member of the Land Use Commission is to ensure that the decision-making process with regards to District Boundary Amendments and Special Use Permits address State concerns, where fundamental decisions are based upon the intended objectives in which the Land Use Districts were established.
3. Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Land Use Commission, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a

brief statement of your skills, expertise or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the Land Use Commission.

As a practicing consulting civil engineer in Hawaii, I have an understanding of development issues, particularly infrastructure currently facing our State. I believe land use decisions should be based on collaborative planning in the private sector, as well as on the County and State levels to ensure resolutions account for controlled growth; open space; agriculture; population density and urban centers; environmental characteristics and hazards; and economic, financial and social impacts. I believe the experiences that I have gained over the years will provide a significant resource for the Commission.

The expertise that I have gained in the land development and construction industry that would be conducive in my decision making ability includes the technical knowledge and experience as it pertains to development impacts. Specifically, impacts related to traffic; water supply and distribution; wastewater collection and treatment; drainage and flood mitigation; and water quality management, which collaboratively lend itself to responsible development.

4. What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

What I hope to accomplish most during my term of service on the Land Use Commission is provide the other commission members the support and additional guidance from the technical standpoint in order to make responsible decisions on behalf of the State. I would also like to continue and maintain a collaborative planning process between private developers, as well as the State and County governments.

5. Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the Land Use Commission?

Committed/Dedicated: I consider myself to be a very committed and dedicated individual. I am able to meet issues and concerns head-on, research the facts, and continuously strive for fair and reasonable resolutions. This quality would continue through my involvement on the Land Use Commission in that my decisions will always consider what is in the best interest of the State.

Responsible: I consider myself a responsible individual that can be depended on to see issues through resolution. I deal with situations that arise and take responsibility for the results. As a member of the Commission, I will be relied upon to follow through on what needs to be accomplished to address Land Use issues in order to meet the necessary goals and objectives.

Organized: I would also describe myself as very organized, which allows me to be efficient and effective with my time. As a principal of a consulting firm and dedicated member of the Commission, time management and organizational skills will play an important role in effectively addressing the pressing issues brought before the Land Use Commission.

6. Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the Land Use Commission?

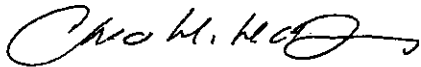
One experience/accomplishment that would make me stand out would be obtaining my LEED AP (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design, Accredited Professional)

credentials. The underlying knowledge of the concepts and objectives provides for a broad understanding of environmental impacts, sustainable design and low impact development.

7. Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Land Use Commission? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest? *Possible conflicts of interest may arise if the firm I am employed with is involved as a consultant, which may represent a private developer or County/State agency, in which a specific petition is filed. If such instance arises, I will identify the possible conflict with the other Commission members, and if necessary, recuse myself of any discussions, deliberations, and decision-making as it pertains to the specific petition.*

Once again, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for your consideration on my confirmation to the Land Use Commission. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 224-9045 or email at chadm@mitsdesign.com.

Mahalo nui loa,



Chad M. McDonald, P.E.

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Director



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April 14, 2011

Statement of
ORLANDO "DAN" DAVIDSON
Executive Officer, State Land Use Commission
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Thursday April 14, 2011
1:20 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 225
in consideration of

GM 568

**CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION OF
CHAD M. MCDONALD**

To the Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, and the Honorable Malama Soloman, Vice Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing.

My name is Dan Davidson, and I am the Executive Officer of the Land Use Commission ("LUC"). I am here to respectfully request that this **Committee favorably consider** the nomination of Mr. Chad M. McDonald to serve as Commissioner for a four-year term as an At Large member ending on June 30, 2015.

It is clear from Mr. McDonald's resume that he possesses a strong professional background as a civil engineer. The adequacy and availability of infrastructure to support a proposed development project is one of the key issues that the Land Use Commission faces on virtually every petition before it. Mr. McDonald's expertise in this area, as well as his certification in Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) will greatly benefit the Commission.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of Mr. McDonald's nomination to serve as Commissioner on the Land Use Commission.



KIMURA INTERNATIONAL INC.

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
State Capital, Room 409
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Tsutsui and Senate:

**Recommendation of Mr. Chad M. McDonald
for the
Land Use Commission**

I take great pleasure in offering my strongest support for the appointment of Mr. Chad McDonald, P.E. as a commissioner of the Land Use Commission. Mr. McDonald and I have known each other professionally for the past 10 years. While working with him on a number of projects, Mr. McDonald consistently demonstrated the attributes of an excellent project manager and problem solver.

As a registered civil engineer, he brings a wealth of experience and knowledge about the intricacies of land development and in my opinion, would offer a balanced view with respect to the demands of urbanization and conservation. His certification as a LEED professional engineer demonstrates his commitment to a future Hawaii that is environmentally sustainable.

From my personal experience, I have found Mr. McDonald to be a truly compassionate guy who lives the Aloha spirit. While lamenting my personal health issue, he told me about the hardships his neighbor's family was facing with multiple health issues. I was touched that he and his wife were taking the time out of their busy schedules to take care of the family's invalid daughter.

I sincerely believe that Mr. McDonald will be a worthy member of the Land Use Commission. I respectfully urge you to confirm his appointment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glenn T. Kimura".

Glenn T. Kimura,
President

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April 13, 2011

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui and Senate Members:

I am honored to present this letter in support of confirmation of Mr. Chad McDonald to the Land Use Commission (Reference No. GM568).

Mr. McDonald has exemplified excellent management and technical skills in the engineering field and is also a key component of his well-established firm, Mitsunaga and Associates, Inc. Without a doubt, his firm has sustained its success greatly in part to his leadership. I have personally known Chad for nearly 15 years and he is an outstanding individual who would be a valuable asset for the Land Use Commission.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at 596-7790 x24. Thank you for the opportunity to provide recommendation in support of this very deserving individual.

Sincerely,

Jason H. Lau, P.E.
Principal



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April 12, 2011

Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing

Hearing Date: Thursday, April 14, 2011, 1:20 PM, Conference Room 225

Honorable Senators Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair; Malama Solomon, Vice Chair;
and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing

**Subject: GM 568, Relating to Consideration and Confirmation of Chad M. McDonald to the Land
Use Commission
TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT**

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and Committee Members:

This is written in support of Mr. Chad M. McDonald's nomination to the Land Use Commission. I have known Mr. McDonald professionally for more than 10 years, probably closer to 15 years. Three words/phrases to describe him... Professionalism, Integrity, and a Sense of Humor.

As a Professional Engineer, I'm sure that Mr. McDonald's technical knowledge will be of great assistance to the Commission. However, I believe that his professionalism, in terms of his adherence to technical and ethical standards, and his judgment will be even greater assets. Mr. McDonald has always been diligent in his work, taking his responsibilities seriously, even in his days as a young engineer. Engineers are supposed to be trained in problem solving, and Mr. McDonald has always been a good engineer.

Our company has worked with Mr. McDonald on numerous engineering design projects, and he has always been up front and honest in all our dealings. In my mind, there is no question regarding his integrity.

His sense of humor may not add to the business of the Land Use Commission, however, based on the team settings that I have sat in with Mr. McDonald, I believe that it will add to the process. Mr. McDonald's personality makes it easy to work with him; his low-keyed sense of humor makes it pleasant to work with him. His nature promotes open discussion which can only assist the Commission's work.

In summary, I have no reservation in supporting Mr. Chad McDonald's nomination to the Land Use Commission, and have no doubt that he will prove to be an asset to the Commission.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony regarding the consideration and confirmation of Chad M. McDonald to the Land Use Commission. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this testimony.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul S. Morimoto, President
Hirata & Associates, Inc.



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April 13, 2011

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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing
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State Capitol, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF CHAD M. McDONALD TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing:

I am planner with approximately 20 years of experience in the profession. I strongly support Mr. Chad McDonald's nomination to the Land Use Commission. I know Chad on a professional level and have had the opportunity to work with him as a civil engineer on our project. I have found Chad to be very responsive and knowledgeable on issues related to civil engineering and infrastructure. Also, as a fellow Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Professional, I know that Chad is well versed on issues related to sustainable design, particularly sustainable design options as they relate green infrastructure. I believe that Chad's knowledge and experience and his ability to assess the issues and impacts associated with a proposed development would be beneficial to the Land Use Commission.

As such, I respectfully request that the Members of the Senate support Mr. McDonald's nomination.

Thank you very much for considering my testimony.

Sincerely,

PBR HAWAII & Associates, Inc.

Grant T. Murakami, AICP, LEED AP
Principal



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April 8, 2011

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SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF CHAD M. McDONALD TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing:

I am planner with approximately 30 years of experience. I support Mr. Chad McDonald's nomination to the Land Use Commission. Although we work at competing firms, I have had opportunities to work with him on a few projects and have been impressed with his knowledge and experience in civil engineering.

As a professional planner, I have observed that the Land Use Commission (LUC) in recent years has grappled with the issues of infrastructure "concurrency" and sustainable design. I believe that with Mr. McDonald's experience as a civil engineer in private practice, and with his "certification" as a Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) Accredited Professional, Chad can provide practical advice on issues of concurrency and sustainability.

I respectfully request that the Members of the Senate support Mr. McDonald's nomination.

Thank you very much for considering my testimony.

Sincerely,

Vincent Shigekuni
Vice President
PBR Hawaii

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Comments:

I strongly support the confirmation of Chad to the LUC. He is a very reputable man and has the professional skills for this position. I respectfully urge the committee to confirm his appointment!
Mahalo!

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Comments:

Chad McDonald would be a valuable asset to the Land Use Commission. He has been involved with both land use and development issues throughout his professional career. I strongly support Mr. McDonald's appointment to the Land Use Commission.

RE: GM-568; Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, CHAD M. MCDONALD, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

Date of written testimony: 4-10-2011

I've known Mr. McDonald for more than 4 years while working at Mitsunaga & Associates from June 2006 to January 2010. Our relationship extended beyond business as his company responsibilities included managing the civil engineering department and company financial operations. My company responsibilities also included managing the architectural department while also being directly involved with company financial operations.

It was through these shared responsibilities I was allowed the privilege to work directly with Chad on a daily basis whereby I learned greatly about his professional skills as a civil engineer along with his managerial skills and gift of working with people without prejudice. His endless dedication and commitment to support the company and people is what I admired about him, earning him the respect of both associates and clients.

Because of his professional qualities we quickly became friends in which we both continue today even after my departure from Mitsunaga & Associates. On a friendship level, I realized his values of commitment and dedication are also carried out at home with his family, which includes his wife Michelle and their two daughters.

If there is one word to describe Chad, the word I use is trust. No matter the situation I could rely on Chad for support on any level as he was not afraid of being accountable for his decisions and actions. I believe these are values rarely seen in today's society as I've used Chad as a role model for others to follow.

I truly believe a person's true character is demonstrated through pressure situations and in our line of business, we are constantly tested with pressure as the decisions we had to make hinged on both company success and client satisfaction. These decisions involved collaboration with people of all various backgrounds such as associates, clients and contractors as Chad's leadership qualities and integrity quickly gained him trust and respect on all levels.

Through my personal and business relationship with Chad, I strongly support the Governor's nomination for the Land Use Commission as I truly believe he will provide the trust, dedication and accountability most likely required for this position. I hope the Senate committee will also realize Chad's desirable qualities through this brief written testimony that I have provided for the upcoming April 14th hearing.

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Comments:

Chad is an intelligent, personable and dedicated individual. I believe that his skills and experience make him an excellent nominee to the Land Use Commission. I feel confident in stating that he will exceed expectations.

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April 11, 2011

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui and Members of the Senate:

Please accept this letter as my testimony in support of Mr. Chad M. McDonald in his nomination by Governor Neil Abercrombie to the Land Use Commission for the State of Hawaii.

I have known Chad McDonald professionally and personally for the past 15 years. As we are both employed in the engineering and construction industries, I've seen Chad to be a highly conscientious and proficient engineer and program manager. He has shown himself to be capable through many complex and sustained efforts. Chad is a proven successful and reliable individual within the Hawaii consulting profession and I'm sure that many, if not all, of our professional colleagues will also agree.

Importantly too, Chad is and has been a great son, husband, and father. He has the wisdom of successfully caring for and raising his family. His value system is in the right place and he can make good decisions.

Chad, I believe, is truly qualified to serve as a member of the Land Use Commission based on his accumulated professional knowledge and working experiences state-wide and abroad. He has shown himself capable of applying and executing fair and responsible judgement, as we the public citizenry would expect and require of a Land Use Commissioner.

In behalf of my fellow professional Mr. Chad M. McDonald, I submit my fullest support and request the Senate to please confirm his nomination to the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,



Edmund Yoshida, P.E.

c: Chad M. McDonald

April 11, 2011

Todd T. Nitta
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Committee on Water, Land, and Housing
State Capitol
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Attn: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Malama Solomon, Vice Chair

Re: **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR CHAD MCDONALD**

Dear Senators:

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of **Chad McDonald** for consideration to the Land Use Commission.

I have known Chad in a variety of capacities for over 10 years. He has been a professional colleague, business confidant, and close personal friend. In addition, he has been the utmost neighbor continuously displaying respect and courtesy towards others in the area and someone who is relied upon to lend a hand without hesitation, regardless of any situation. Independently he has assessed the roads in our area and has taken immediate action to ensure the safety of the neighborhood for the children and overall community.

Chad is the epitome of a team player who easily develops a natural rapport with all whom he interacts with. He has great interpersonal skills and is well liked by all based on his unique, inspiring personality. He is assertive, intelligent and extremely competent. He is articulate with exceptional communication skills, written and verbal, able to relate well with individuals of all ages and diverse backgrounds.

Overall, Chad is an ideal candidate for this position. I have every confidence that once you have personally experienced the high caliber of this individual, you will be convinced that selecting him for the Land Use Commission is the right choice.

I highly recommend Chad McDonald with sincerity and enthusiasm for this position and for any endeavor that he may pursue based on the fact that he is committed towards all that he does and is highly motivated to succeed.

If you need additional information and/or have any questions regarding the contents of this letter, please call me at (808) 457-5633 or email me at tnitta@fwb.com. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Todd T. Nitta
Senior Vice President
First Hawaiian Bank

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Comments:
Aloha Kakou,

I have known Chad McDonald longer than I haven't known Chad McDonald and I know he would be an excellent candidate to sit on the Land Use Commission. Chad brings with him a wealth of knowledge gained from working with Mitsunaga and Associates as the Architecture, Engineering, Planning, Project Management, Construction Manager and would use that knowledge to ensure contracts are appropriated to groups/business who have the State's best interest in mind. Chad is also well grounded in the history and culture of our state as a graduate of Kamehameha Schools and would protect our lands as his kupuna have. Finally, Chad has the work ethic and humility to ensure that the States interests are best met. I know Chad McDonald will make an excellent candidate to the Land Use Commission and I provide my support for this exceptional individual.

JONELLE W. OSHIRO
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

April 12, 2011

Subject: Testimony in Support of GM 568 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Chad M. McDonald

To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the pleasure of working with Chad on numerous projects where Chad served as the Civil Engineer and project manager. He runs his projects efficiently and is a respected leader who represents his company very well.

I have no hesitation in recommending Chad to the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,

Jonelle Oshiro, ASLA, LEED AP

13 April 2011

To President Shan Tsutsui and Members of the Senate,

It is with great honor and pleasure that I submit the following testimony in support of Chad McDonald's nomination to the Land Use Commission as O'ahu's At-Large seat.

Chad and I met as 7th graders at Kamehameha Schools. Over the past 27 years I have witnessed Chad excel in numerous arenas: athletics (soccer, football, baseball) and academia at both the high school as well as collegiate levels. It came as no surprise that his achievements in these areas transferred directly into his professional career as a civil engineer. He is a shining example of Bernice Pauahi Bishop's desire to cultivate industrious, Hawaiian men and women.

Chad's work ethic and responsible nature have undoubtedly contributed to his ability to lead and perform at such a high level at Mitsunaga & Associates. But in addition to all of these positive attributes, it is Chad's dedication to his family in crafting a wonderful home life for his wife and two daughters as well as his loyalty, support and dependability as a friend that I respect, admire and appreciate most. It is for these reasons that it was essential to have Chad standing next to me when I got married and why he is and will remain a dear lifelong friend.

As you consider Chad's nomination, please know that above his professional credentials you are looking at a person of character, objectivity and commitment with deep roots in our wonderful State of Hawaii.

Me ke aloha,



Spencer K Wong

Controller, Kukio Golf & Beach Club

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The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
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Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

Subject: Confirmation of Chad M. McDonald
Commissioner, Land Use Commission
GM 568

Thank you for this opportunity to support Mr. Chad M. McDonald as a commissioner for the Land Use Commission. I have worked with Mr. McDonald for many years, and his experience will be beneficial to the Land Use Commission. Throughout the years, Mr. McDonald has shown professionalism in his work and has provided decisions based on careful analysis of the facts and situation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian T. Ishii", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Brian T. Ishii