# William Spence, Planning Director **Maui Planning Department** 250 South High Street, Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 (808) 270-7735

## Planning Director, January 2011 to Present

As Planning Director, I am the chief planning officer for Maui County and am the technical advisor to the mayor, council, and planning commissions on all planning related matters.

I am also the administrative head of the Planning Department, which is comprised of three divisions, Long Range, Current, and Zoning and Enforcement. I am responsible to staff the Maui, Molokai, and Lanai planning commissions, the Cultural Resources Commission, Urban Design Review Board, Maui Redevelopment Agency, and the Hana Advisory Committee. My office also attends and advises the County Council's General Plan, Planning, and Land Use Council committees. The department has 64 employees.

## The William Spence Company, 2002 to December 2010.

As an independent consultant, I primarily worked with private landowners to obtain discretionary approvals or legislative actions. The applications that I wrote and processed varied widely in complexity, from basic Special Management Area assessments, to compound approvals for multi-million dollar facilities or housing projects. I worked closely with other professionals such as attorneys, engineers, or architects, as well as multiple government agencies.

#### Maui Planning Department, Senior Staff Planner, 1992 to 2002.

As a staff planner, I was responsible for a number of multi-year, regional projects that resulted in passing legislation. All of the projects required independent research and analysis using socio-economic or other data, mapping, and other sources of information. All of them involved multiple presentations and hearings before public-interest groups, citizen committees, planning commissions, and the Maui County Council:

- Interim Rezoning. There were three projects to rezone approximately 1,800 properties from the Interim zoning district to an appropriate district in accordance with the community plan designations.
- Community Plan Revisions. I staffed the Makawao-Pukalani-Kula, Paia-Haiku, and Molokai plans, from the initial citizen advisory committee, to planning commission and through the County Council.
- Upcountry Greenways Masterplan. This project was to identify and map a system of public recreational paths through the Upcountry area.

I was also responsible for virtually every type of discretionary permit or legislative action within the Maui Planning Department, including SMA permits, Land Use Commission and County special permits, Conditional Permits, and Changes in Zoning. Two applications involved extensive contested case hearings.

#### Myra Frank and Associates, Associate Planner, 1990 to 1992, Los Angeles, CA.

As an associate planner, I performed technical environmental analysis for various public works or public facilities as well as regional planning projects. Most of my work involved cumulative and project specific air quality analysis.

<u>Formal Education</u> – Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Planning, School of Environmental Design, California State Polytechnic at Pomona, graduated 1990.

<u>Affiliations</u> - American Planning Association (APA) since 1987, former board member of Art Maui, and the Hui Noeau Visual Art Center.