

EDB Committee

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Subject: TESTIMONY: WAILUKU CIVIC COMPLEX (EDB-76)

Aloha Honorable Committee Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice-Chair King, & Committee Members,

My name is Jen Mather and I live in Lahaina. I write to you to reconsider funding this project as it currently stands. Although not in opposition, I believe further comment from beyond the Wailuku community should be sought. Although this may seemingly be a Wailuku community issue, I do believe that all Maui County taxpayers should have input into how county money is being used and disbursed.

As a resident of Lahaina, I am well aware of the housing crisis that is unfolding not only here in our rural community but around the county, state, and nation. This is not something that is exclusive to us, but our use of county money is and to move forward with this complex project seems to thumb our noses at higher priority challenges we face and that could be funded by the budgeted \$84m.

I hope there is a compromise that benefits Wailuku Town as well as the rest of the island to ensure we are spending our money wisely.

Mahalo for your consideration, time, and the effort that you all continually gift this county with.

Malama pono,
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