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July 31, 2025

Mr. Kapono'ai Molitau, Director
Department of 'Ōiwi Resources
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Molitau:

**SUBJECT: HOUSING PROJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 201H,
HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES: KAIAHALE 'O
KAHILUHILU AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL
PROJECT (HLU-1(1))**

The Council's Housing and Land Use Committee will consider the Kaiahaale 'o Kahiluhilu Affordable Housing Rental Project on August 5, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. Under HRS Section 201H-38, the Council has 45 days to act on the submittal or the project will be deemed approved as is. Accordingly, if the Committee does not complete its deliberations on August 5, the Committee will likely recess its meeting to August 6, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

It appears that Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation did not receive written comments from your Department on the draft application. May I please request that you or a representative of your Department review the resolutions and application linked on the attached agenda, to the extent feasible given the shortness of time, and be prepared to comment on the project at the Committee meeting.

If a Department representative will not be available for the meeting, please transmit your comments in writing to hlu.committee@mauicounty.us by **August 5, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.** To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at ext. 7761, or Jennifer Yamashita at ext. 7143).

Sincerely,

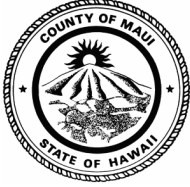
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tasha Kama", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

TASHA KAMA, Chair
Housing and Land Use Committee

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Attachment

cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.



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HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE (2025-2027)

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

1:30 p.m.

MEETING SITE:

Online via Teams: <http://tinyurl.com/HLU-Committee>

Remote oral testimony is also available online via the same
Teams link.

In-person testimony and viewing: Council Chamber, Kalana O
Maui Building, 8th Flr., 200 South High St., Wailuku, Hawai'i

A G E N D A

HOUSING PROJECTS UNDER CHAPTER 201H, HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES: KAIAHALE 'O KAHILUHILU AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL PROJECT (HLU-1(1))

Description: The Committee is in receipt of the following:

1. Correspondence dated July 30, 2025, from the Committee Chair, transmitting a copy of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation's application for the development of the proposed Kaiahale 'o Kahiluhilu Affordable Housing Rental Project located at 153 West Ka'ahumanu Avenue, Kahului, Maui, Hawai'i, under Section 201H-38, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and related documents. The proposed project consists of two six-story buildings with 301 affordable housing rental units and two non-revenue-generating resident-manager units. The rental units would be rented to qualified households earning up to 30 percent, up to 50 percent, and up to 60 percent of the Area Median Income. The project site is on a 3.403-acre portion of a State-owned parcel identified for Real Property Tax purposes as Tax Map Key (2) 3-7-004:003. The project developer is HKI Kahului Kaiahale LLC. The Council received the application on July 28, 2025.
2. Resolution 25-160, entitled "APPROVING THE KAIAHALE 'O KAHILUHILU AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL PROJECT UNDER SECTION 201H-38, HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES." Resolution 25-

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160's purpose is to approve the proposed project with various exemptions from certain requirements in the Maui County Code relating to planning, zoning, construction standards for subdivisions, development and improvement of land, and the construction of dwelling units on the land.

3. Resolution 25-161, entitled "APPROVING WITH MODIFICATION THE KAIAHALE 'O KAHILUHILU AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL PROJECT UNDER SECTION 201H-38, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES." Resolution 25-161's purpose is to approve the proposed project with the modifications in Exhibit "A" and with various exemptions from certain requirements in the Maui County Code relating to planning, zoning, construction standards for subdivisions, development and improvement of land, and the construction of dwelling units on the land.
4. Resolution 25-162, entitled "DISAPPROVING THE KAIAHALE 'O KAHILUHILU AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL PROJECT UNDER SECTION 201H-38, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES." Resolution 25-162's purpose is to disapprove the proposed project.

Status: Under Section 201H-38, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Council must approve, approve with modifications, or disapprove the proposed project by September 11, 2025, or it will be deemed approved. The Committee may consider whether to recommend adoption of Resolution 25-160, Resolution 25-161, or Resolution 25-162, with or without revisions. The Committee may also consider the filing of Resolution 25-160, Resolution 25-161, and Resolution 25-162 and other related action.

[Correspondence from Committee Chair 07-30-2025](#)

[Resolution 25-160](#)

[Resolution 25-161](#)

[Resolution 25-162](#)

CONTACT INFORMATION

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COMMITTEE STAFF

James Krueger, Ellen McKinley, Jennifer Yamashita, and Carla Nakata

BOARD PACKETS

Board Packets, as defined in Section 92-7.5, HRS, will be electronically posted as soon as practicable.

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HLU Committee

From: HLU Committee
Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2025 3:15 PM
To: Kapono'ai Molitau
Cc: HLU Committee; Kekai.Robinson@co.maui.hi.us; Deanna.Thyssen@co.maui.hi.us; Michelle Santos; 'Zeke Kalua'
Subject: re: Kaiahale 'o Kahiluhilu Affordable Housing Rental Project (HLU-1(1)); reply by 08/05/2025
Attachments: 001(1)aowr01_TK.pdf

Director Molitau: Please refer to the attached letter from the Housing and Land Use Committee Chair, dated July 31, 2025. Please respond by **August 05, 2025**.

Mayor's Office: Please forward the attached letter to Mayor Bissen for his information.

Thank you,
HLU Committee Staff