

PC Committee

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Subject: Beach Access at Mana Kai/ Oceanfront Inn

Aloha

This is a letter of strong advocacy for the redoing of the gravel parking lot between the Mana Kai and the Oceanfront Inn in Kihei and conditions that should be attached.

I am a resident of South Maui and can tell you that this beach access receives as much or more traffic by locals than any other beach in Kihei. It is important to keep the access free and open to both the beach and the adjacent State Park lands leased to the Kihei Surfside and others.

First, I would advocate taking out the row of scraggly Kiawe trees between the two halves of the gravel parking lot. This would facilitate one continuous parking lot with the maximum number of spaces.

I would recommend a permeable surface such as exists elsewhere on island, so the runoff from the lot doesn't directly enter the adjacent ocean.

The lot should then be lined with appropriate handicapped spaces, but all other spaces open, like at Longs in Kihei where there is plenty of parking and UPS, Amigos, etc. don't have reserved spaces, so there is plenty of room for all.

Further, I understand the existing Oceanfront Inn was grandfathered into a single family setting due to "historic use." I strongly recommend NOT changing the community plan designation, at the very least waiting for the Kihei Community Plan update process, which is coming up soon.

If the change in community plan designation is allowed, it should be written in as a condition that the hotel may not increase the intensity, density or the footprint of the hotel and restaurant so as to not create a giant Wailea or Ka'anapali level hotel which would be totally inappropriate and tremendously impactful for the setting.

Mahalo for your kokua on this.

Yours most sincerely.

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