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#### Lahaina Budget District Meeting, 4/10/2019 OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

<u>Present</u>: Committee Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, Committee Vice-Chair Kelly T. King, Councilmembers Riki Hokama, Tasha Kama, Alice Lee, Michael J. Molina, Tamara Paltin, Shane Sinenci, and Yuki Lei K. Sugimura.

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

The Committee received oral testimony from 37 individuals as well as written testimony (attached).

Unless otherwise indicated, testimony below was received in support of funding for the organization, program, or project noted:

- 1. <u>Aaron Naea</u> Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui.
- 2. <u>Madison Miller</u> Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui.
- 3. <u>Shaileann Dizon</u> Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui.
- 4. <u>Bo Petty</u> Farm Apprentice Mentoring program.
- 5. <u>Hans Michel</u> Historic preservation.

- 6. <u>Jill Mickelsen</u> Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui.
- 7. <u>Beverly Galarza</u> Kapalua Bay accessibility, including for persons with disabilities.
- 8. <u>Karleina Bettencourt</u> Upward Bound; Maui Economic Opportunity (MEO) transportation.
- 9. Edward Wallace Feed My Sheep.
- 10. <u>Kanani Higbee</u> Upward Bound; MEO transportation; youth intervention programs; police reform.
- 11. Heidi Dollinger Third Saturday Recycling program.
- 12. <u>James Fahnestock</u> Third Saturday Recycling Program; Malama Maui Nui.
- 13. Jana Wilkinson MEO transportation; Upward Bound.
- 14. <u>Arleen Gerbig</u> MEO transportation.
- 15. <u>Evelyn Goo</u> Audit of Lahaina Restoration Foundation.
- 16. <u>Gregg Nelson</u> Maui Visitors Bureau.
- 17. Lindsay Elam MEO Enlace Program.
- <u>Sne Patel</u> West Maui events and economic development; Ka Ipu Kukui;
   "Clean and Safe" program for Wailuku (existing) and Lahaina (requested);
   2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays; app for live video testimony through Ka Ipu Kukui; Purple Mai`a.
- 19. <u>Debbi Amaral</u> MEO Head Start.
- 20. <u>Edwin "Ekolu" Lindsey</u> Maui Visitors Bureau; Office of Aging, Adult Day Care; preservation of Ke Ao Hali`i.

- 21. <u>Steven B. Ashfield</u> Parks and recreation; find other revenue for Maui Invitational Tournament rather than from West Maui parks and recreation.
- 22. <u>Laurie Lowson</u> Pohailani Maui; Third Saturday Recycling program, Lower Honoapiilani Highway repairs; simplify real property tax classifications.
- 23. <u>Paul Laub</u> Veterans; real property tax reform.
- 24. <u>David Olney</u> Boys and Girls Clubs of Maui; support hotels over vacation rentals in tax policy; employee housing.
- 25. <u>Amber Drake</u> Mental Health America, Maui Branch.
- 26. <u>Joseph D. Pluta</u> West Maui farmers; West Maui Taxpayers Association; remote testimony from Lahaina.
- 27. <u>Ananda Stone</u> Common Ground Collective; American Heart Association; Give Healthy Food Drive.
- 28. <u>J.O. Park</u> Personnel enhancements for Maui Emergency Management Agency; Maui Bus expansion.
- 29. Zane Kekoa Schweitzer Maui Visitors Bureau; ocean safety.
- 30. <u>Tina Marshall</u> Kahana Nui storm damage repairs; maintenance of culvert and swale to reduce flooding.
- 31. <u>Bob Marshall</u> Kahana Nui storm damage repairs; maintenance of culvert and swale to reduce flooding.
- 32. <u>Heather W.A. Boynton</u> Feed My Sheep; Upward Bound; MEO bus.
- 33. <u>Peggy Robertson</u> Road paving; Lahaina advisory board; assisted living and rentals for West Maui; bus shelters and bus stop at the Lahaina Civic Center, Police Station, and Post Office; affordable rentals for those working on West Side.
- 34. <u>Kai Nishiki</u> Affordable housing; remote testifying from Lahaina; defunding Maui Visitors Bureau; problems with excessive tourism; West Maui parks; SMA fund; move people off the shorelines and talk about managed retreat; Kahakuloa roadway safety; do not fund injection wells.
- 35. <u>Dylan Payne</u> Remote testimony from Lahaina Civic Center or DMV; streamline vacation rental approval process and increase vacation-rental taxation; beach parks; alternative sources for water; fire department, possibly Olowalu station.
- 36. <u>Paula Kahahane</u> Maui Adult Day Care.
- 37. <u>Ed Kaahui</u> West Maui Senior Center; toilets on shorelines; cleanup along shoreline.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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#### MAUI COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE, APRIL 10, 2019, EDB-1 COUNTY WIDE PARKS ADA ACCESSIBILITY TESTIMONY – BEVERLY J. GALARZA

Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and all members of this Committee, thank you for being here tonight and providing us with an opportunity to testify.

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My name is Beverly Galarza. I'm here because we've learned that in the County's proposed 2020 budget, EDB-1 funds or grant monies have been approved for ADA accessibility improvements at county wide parks. Believe there are some compelling reasons to give great consideration to applying some of these monies to make one of our West Maui neighborhood beaches, Kapalua Bay, accessible, by ensuring those who cannot navigate multiple sets of staircases or are wheelchair users may have equal access to Kapalua Bay. We want Kapalua Bay to be inclusive; to be shared by all, side by side.

I'm here on behalf of my adult son, Steven, who is developmentally disabled, physically and intellectually, as well as individuals and families we've met over the course of almost 10 years trying to get ADA accessibility in place for Kapalua Bay. I've received permission to share the experiences of others in hopes you all will be part of helping the dream of Kapalua Bay being inclusive as it had been many years ago, a reality once again.

One of our Napili neighbors born and raised on Maui and who is Native Hawaiian told me when I met him and his then pre-teen age daughter in 2010, that after the closing of the old Kapalua Bay Hotel and new development surrounding the bay was built, he had not been able to go to his childhood beach with his daughter. Kapalua Bay was no longer accessible to him. Prior to the closing of the famous Kapalua Bay Hotel, there was at least some accessibility through the hotel, its shops, and the underground public shoreline parking which made the grounds oceanfront accessible. Ironically, with new construction, including the for public benefit coastal trail, rather than more accessibility, the only accessible route was removed and no new one provided, thus exclusion. I still find this stunning.

In 2018, Kapalua Bay was named Best Beach in America by Dr. Beach. Through the years, this popular beach in West Maui has been consistently rated as one of the top beaches in Hawai'i and was also recognized at least once as best beach in the world. Kapalua Bay is promoted as having some of the calmest waters in West Maui and is a beach for everyone in the family. It certainly can be, but currently, it is not. Believe if you have the number one beach in American in your community, we all should ensure no one is excluded because of lack of disability accessibility.

In 2003, PBR Hawai'i conducted a study at the request of Hawai'i Tourism Authority, to determine if facilities at certain beach parks were ADA accessible or in need of accessibility. In its study on Kapalua Bay, PBR Hawaii recommended Kapalua Bay be

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made accessible because of its popularity and calm waters. I'll provide you with a copy of this report and recommendations. This study was done because the Transient Accommodation Tax (TAT) had passed and a percentage of these tax monies were supposed to go towards making improvements to public beaches. ADA accessibility was supposed to be a priority. See Attachment A

To date, 2019, there is not one single accessible route from either the main entrance for shoreline parking on the south end of Kapalua Bay, nor the smaller north end public parking lot. Staircases greet you at the main entrance. This parking lot also serves as the main entrance for the public passive beach park at Kapalua as well as the beginning of the for public benefit coastal trail. At the smaller north end public parking at Kapalua, signage advises there is no ADA accessible route for one to take going towards Kapalua Bay. If you are unable to navigate stairs, or are a wheelchair user, unless you come with a village of assistance and risk injury, one does not even see Kapalua Bay much less reach this famous sandy beach, ocean, park, or paved trails.

Kapalua Bay also happens to have one of the highest number of permits issued for beach weddings.

To address the lack of accessibility to Kapalua Bay, in March 2015, the State of Hawaii Legislature passed HCR 141 This concurrent resolution encouraged all counties in the State of Hawaii to look for ways to improve ADA accessibility to our public beaches. Specifically, HCR 141 pointed out the importance of making our public beaches accessible to those who have served our country through military service; our Veterans. HCR 141 asked the counties to consider those beaches located in ORMA and those with public restrooms to be made accessible. Kapalua Bay is both in ORMA and has public restrooms, and of course, we have service members as well as Veterans wishing to access Kapalua Bay. I will provide you all with a copy of HCR 141 – ADA Beach Access and would like to share an experience of one such Veteran trying to gain access to Kapalua Bay so he could swim in the ocean. See Attachment B

His name was Ford Mudgett. He and his family were staying within the Kapalua Resort, so he did not have the staircase obstacle at public entrance to overcome, but he did have barriers in reaching the ocean waters from the paved public coastal trail. Ford was waiting for his adult son to come help him onto the beach and into the ocean. Ford was a dentist from San Diego who had family ties to Hawai'i. Ford was now a Veteran. He served our country while in the Navy. Ford had acquired ALS and was now a wheelchair user. When you have a chance to look at the photos I'm submitting, Ford has on a tee shirt he had for years from when he was a member of a relay swim team. Ford told me he and others used to swim from Lana'i to Ka'anapali for years. Ford loved the ocean waters and he told me that he could feel the energy of the sea life while swimming and it made him feel good He gave me permission to share his photo and his story with anyone who could help make Kapalua Bay accessible to all. Ford passed away a few years after this photo was taken. Please see Attachment C Photo

Two other families we met through the years was one with a young girl name Faith. Faith utilized a walker and we met her trying to navigate the staircase at the south public parking lot for Kapalua Bay shoreline access. This photo was taken in approx. 2013 when Faith was visiting Maui with her family. Her dad is in the photo with her. Faith was already becoming a strong self-advocate and gave me permission to take and share her pic trying to access Kapalua Bay for a day of fun. Please see Attachment D Photo.

The last photo is that of a Rehabilitation Counselor for the State of Utah, Mr. Tim Daynes. He is a wheelchair user. This cute married couple from Utah were with Tim's dad, trying to navigate the staircase at main public shoreline parking on south end of Kapalua Bay, as well. Tim's dad was trying to assist Tim's wife, but he was still recovering from some back surgery and was not able to assist as much as he wanted to. Please see Attachment E Photo

I believe if this Committee will budget monies towards accessibility for Kapalua Bay, it will fulfill the intent of 2015's HCR 141, as well as be in keeping with the spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

I hope you'll be a part of helping make the number one beach in America, Kapalua Bay, accessible and inclusive for all as it can and should be.

Respectfully, Beverly J. Galarza Bury J. Dalaga

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#### Hawai'i Tourism Authority - Natural Resources Site Assessment

Site: Kapalua Beach

**Date:** Saturday, September 13, 2003 **Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 12:35 p.m.

Assessor(s): Sara Slovin; Erik Fleming

1. Facilities PARK FACILITIES

FACILITY	DESCRIPTION/CONDITION
Signage Yes / No	Standard blue public access sign points toward parking area. There is also a Welcome to Kapalua sign at the entrance to the parking area, although it is unclear that it is the public parking area for Kapalua Bay Beach. An additional standard blue public access sign is at top of stairway leading to beach area.
ParkingYes / NoNumber: 42ADANumber: 1BeachYes / NoCampsites/Cabins	<ul> <li>Striped, paved parking lot. Well-maintained; no potholes, striping is easily visible.</li> <li>The parking lot was beyond capacity during the site visit and people were parked in aisles waiting for stalls.</li> <li>The ADA stall is far from beach access point.</li> <li>Well-maintained sandy beach. Clear water with near-shore reef. Lots of snorkelers. The coral reef serves as a barrier against strong offshore currents. According to <i>Beaches of Maui County</i>, Kapalua Beach is the safest swimming beach on the West Maui coast.</li> <li>Beach cabanas (covered chairs) along beach are for hotel guests only.</li> </ul>
Yes / No Number ADA Accessible	
Hiking Trails Yes / No	
Walkways Yes / No ADA Accessible	Cement walkway leads from parking area, down a set of stairs, to the beach and runs along the site between the hotel and beach area. The walkway is wide enough for ADA but there is no ramp from public parking area.
Picnic Facilities Yes / No Number ADA Accessible	
Scenic Lookout Yes / No ADA Accessible	No official lookout but good unobstructed view of Moloka'i and Lāna'i.
Concession Yes / No	"Beach Activities Center: Skin Care and Eye Wear" run by Kapalua Resort.Concession hut sells:Discover ScubaInflatablesGlassesKayaksChairsSun blockBody BoardsUmbrellasCabana

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#### COMFORT FACILITIES

FACILITY		DESCRIPTION/CONDITION
Toilets		Women: 3 stalls
Yes / No	Number	Men: 1 stall, 2 urinals All facilities functioning and well maintained. None appeared to be ADA.
	Number	
Showers		Two sets of public outdoor showers with four shower heads, each: 1 in
Yes / No	Number: 3	front of restrooms, 1 along path near the beach.
🗌 ADA	Number	Third shower area primarily for hotel guests, although technically accessible to the public and no "private" signs posted.
		All in good working condition. None are ADA.
Water Fountains		One fountain located near bathrooms. Functional. Not ADA.
Yes / No	Number: 1	
ADA	Number	

#### INTERPRETIVE SERVICES/FACILITIES

FACILITY	DESCRIPTION/CONDITION				
<b>Parks Personnel</b> Yes / No Number:	Hotel personnel at the activity desk could probably answer questions regarding the site.				
Visitor Center Yes / No ADA Accessible					
Educational/Interpretive Display Yes / No Number					
Historical/Cultural Sites Yes / No Number	Meaning of place name "Kapalua": "two borders" "Ala Hele Kapalua Heritage Trail" plaque (although the plaque gave no information about the trail).				

#### 2. Usage/Activities

Based on the site observation, the majority of users appeared to be visitors, although there also appeared to be a few residents. Site activities included swimming, snorkeling, kayaking, and sunbathing. A few people (likely residents) were also observed fishing off of the rocks at the far southern edge of the site.

#### 3. Access: How do visitors access site? Identify any barriers to access?

To access the beach, visitors who are not guests of the hotel must drive through hotel grounds. Visitors park in public parking area (which was at capacity during site visit). Bathrooms are located at the beach end of parking area. Stairs lead down to pathway, which extends through a tunnel to beach area. The primary access to the beach area from the paved pathway is down a set of sand-covered and eroding stairs. Users can also access the beach area from points along the pathway that separates the beach from the hotel.

The primary barriers to access would be the limited parking and that the site and its facilities are not ADA accessible.

4. Surrounding La	nd Uses						
Reside	] Residential 🛛 Commercial 🗌 Ag		🗌 Agri	culture Conservation		nservation	
🔀 Hotel		Industrial		Scho	bol	Otl	ner
5. Maintenance							
Trash Can	s: Number:	<u>10 (total)</u>	🗌 Ful	I	Partially F	ull	🔀 Empty
	(3 near parking/bathrooms; 3 in beach area; 4 along beach pathway)						
Landscape	Landscape: 🛛 Grass cut 🛛 🖾 Grass watered 🗌 Litter						
Well lands	Well landscaped and maintained						
6. Safety/Health Issues							
Safety personnel: []Yes (Number:) 🛛 🛛 No							
Signage:	Descrip	tion			Condition		
		g of unpredicta nce (see photo		ditions	Good.		
Hazardous conditions: Yes 🛛 No							

Describe: Although the standard blue public access sign posted at the top of the stairs down to the bay includes the standard warning of unpredictable ocean conditions, Kapalua Bay is considered West Maui's safest swimming beach because the coral reef that arcs into the bay from the south and the long north point act a as barriers against strong offshore currents.

#### 7. Proposed Improvements

Make site more accessible for persons in wheelchairs by converting some of the parking spaces closer to the beach access area into ADA spaces and building a ramp. Make restrooms and showers adjacent to parking lot ADA compliant as well.

Repair stairs leading from shoreline path down to beach area and explore the possibility about making the access ADA compliant.

Improve directional signage at entry to more clearly indicate lot for public parking.

Improve and/or install signage to better explain the reason for the "Ala Hele Kapalua Heritage Trail" plaque.

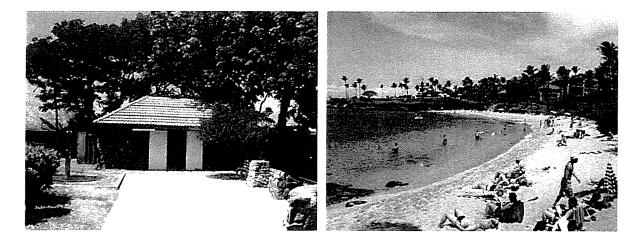
#### 8. Priority: LOW

This is a very popular beach with visitors, particularly those staying in hotels and condominiums in the Kapalua/Nāpili resort area. Particularly given the clear calm waters, this beach would be a good site to expand opportunities for visitors with physical disabilities.

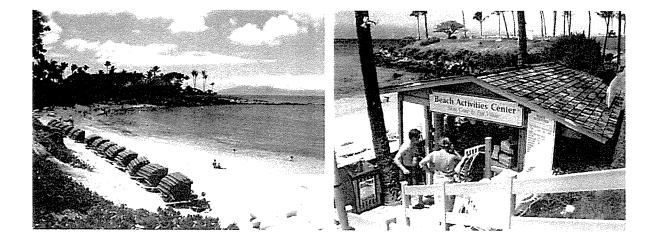
The hotel could be approached regarding the proposed improvements to explore a funding partnership between the hotel and the State.

#### 9. Site Photos

### Kapalua Beach

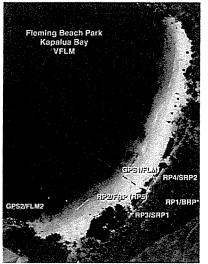






## Kapalua Beach

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#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE, 2015 STATE OF HAWAII

# H.C.R. NO. 14

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DISABLED PERSONS TO ACCESS BEACHES.

1	WHEREAS, Hawaii is known worldwide for its beaches and is committed to offering beach access to all visitors; and
2	committed to offering beach access to all visitors; and
3	WITTER head according to the dischlod including waterens
4	WHEREAS, beach access for the disabled, including veterans,
5	is extremely limited, especially for those who are wheelchair-
6	bound; and
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8	WHEREAS, Title 28 Code of Federal Regulations Part 35
9	prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public
10	entities; and
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12	WHEREAS, Title 28 Code of Federal Regulations Part 36
13	prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public
14	accommodations and requires places of public accommodation to be
15	designed, constructed, and altered to make them compliant; and
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17	WHEREAS, access to Hawaii's beaches is meant to be open for
18	all residents and visitors and accommodations to beaches will
19	need to be improved so as not to discriminate against persons
20	with a disability; now, therefore,
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22	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
23	Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
24	Session of 2015, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
25	Land and Natural Resources and the counties that maintain beach
26	transit corridors are requested to provide reasonable
27	accommodations for access to the shoreline for persons with a
28	disability at any beach that has a public restroom facility and
29	is within an ocean recreation management area; and

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## H.C.R. NO. 141

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in providing accommodations for 2 access to the shoreline at beaches, the Department of Land and 3 Natural Resources and the responsible counties consider the 4 topography and physical characteristics of the beach transit 5 corridor; and

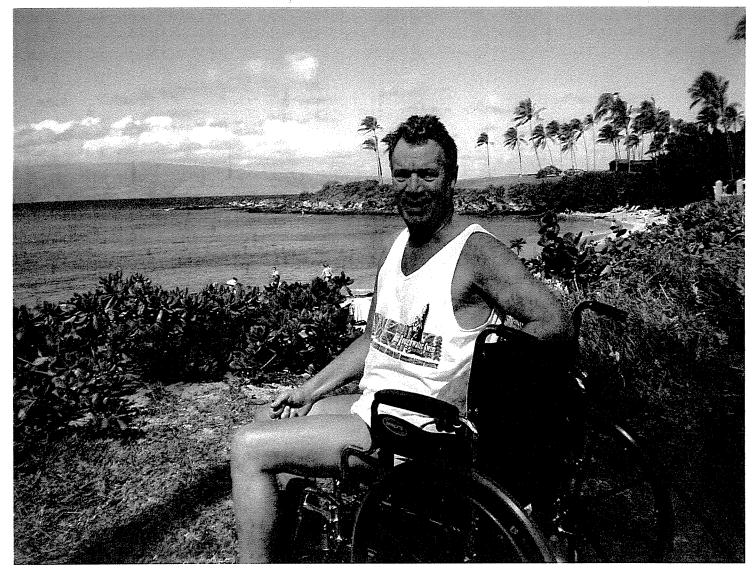
7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and 8 Natural Resources and the responsible counties shall provide 9 these accommodations no later than July 1, 2016; and 10

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 12 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the 13 Board of Land and Resources and the mayors of Hawaii County, 14 Maui County, Kauai County, and the City and County of Honolulu. 15 .

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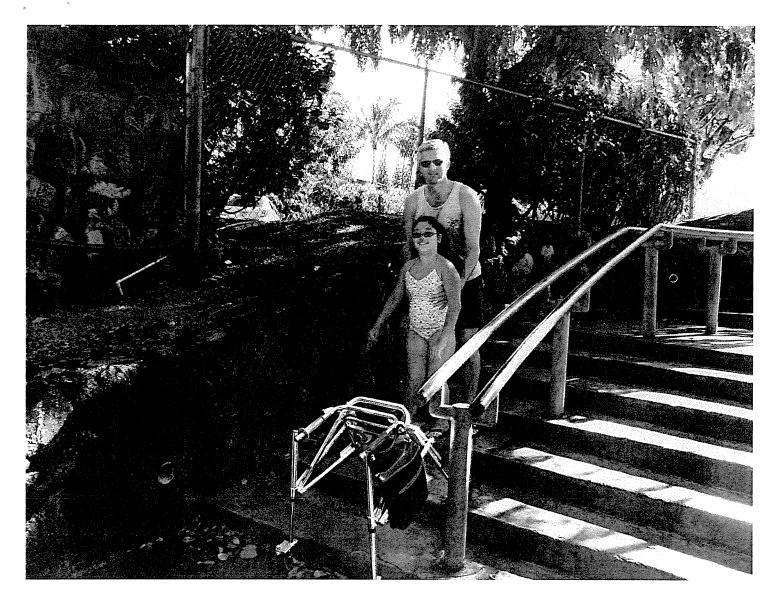
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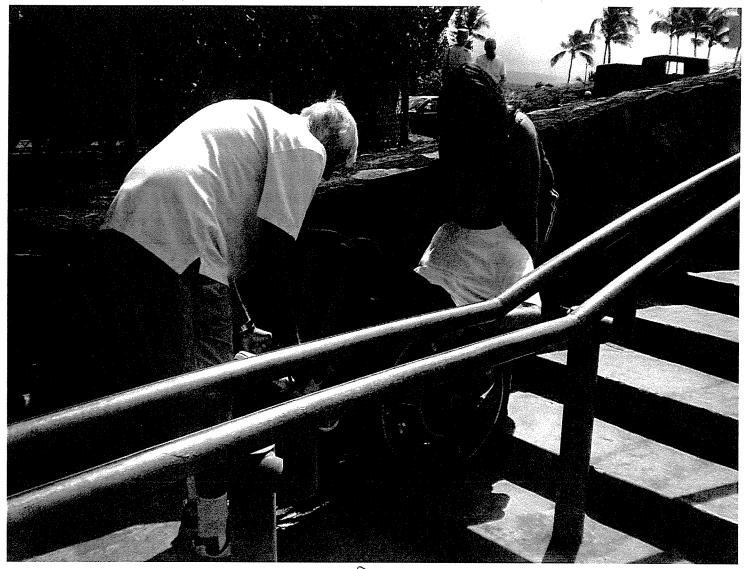
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Faith & her dad from Alaska

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## Tim Daynes, his wife, and dad

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Testimony of Heidi Dollinger President, Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset 3660 Lower Honoapiilani Road #403, Lahaina HI 96761 Phone: 808/359-4245 Email: Heidi.LahainaSunset@gmail.com

Committee Members-

Good evening.

I'm Heidi Dollinger, President of the Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset. I'm here to thank the Council for funding the Third Saturday Recycling program at Lahaina Cannery Mall, to report the results of this program, and to request increased funding for fiscal year 2020.

Since July 2015 the County has provided grants to Malama Maui Nui, a non-profit organization, to pay some of the costs of the Third Saturday Recycling program. This monthly recycling program, now in its fourth year, is co-sponsored by five partners...

- The County of Maui
- Malama Maui Nui
- 5A Rent-A-Space
- Lahaina Cannery Mall
- And The Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset

Volunteers, organized by the Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset, provide most of the labor for these monthly events.

The Third Saturday Recycling program passed a remarkable milestone last December: we've recycled over 500 tons – 1 million pounds – since the program began.

Now that Lahaina has an expanded recycling center on Lahainaluna Road, some may wonder why we need to continue the monthly Third Saturday Recycling events at Lahaina Cannery Mall.

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RECEIVED AT EDB MEETING ON 4 10 19 (WEST MAUL) The answer is that Third Saturday Recycling now accepts only items that are not accepted at the Lahainaluna Road center, specifically...

- Appliances including refrigerators, stoves, washers and dryers
- Electronic devices including televisions, computers and printers
- Scrap metal including water heaters and microwaves
- Vehicle batteries
- And vehicle tires

Third Saturday Recycling works. Malama Maui Nui staff reports that West Maui is the cleanest part of our beautiful island.

The proposed budget presented to the Council for 2020 provides less than half the funds needed by Malama Maui Nui. Unless the Council increases the funding for String 919763B (Go Green West Side Recycling), these events will be cut in half next year – from events every month to events every second month.

The Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset urges the Council to increase the proposed funding and allow these important recycling events to continue in West Maui every month.

Thank you.

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Testimony of James Fahnestock Past President, Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset 146 Kualapa Place, Lahaina HI 96761 Phone: 808/214-5282 Email: mauijimf@gmail.com

Committee Members-

Good evening.

I'm Jim Fahnestock, Past President of the Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset. I'd like to add my thoughts to the testimony of Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset President Heidi Dollinger in support of increased funding for Third Saturday Recycling at Lahaina Cannery Mall.

The Third Saturday Recycling program works. It works to the tune of 500 tons collected. The County of Maui and its four partners have invested so much in this program to provide an avenue for West Maui residents to recycle appliances, electronics, scrap metal, and vehicle batteries and tires.

Unless the County Council increases the proposed funding to Malama Maui Nui to support this program, West Maui will take a huge step backward next year. West Maui's 12 monthly events will be reduced to 6 bimonthly events.

We understand how some residents disposed of these bulky recyclable items before Third Saturday Recycling. We've heard the stories of appliances, electronics and vehicle tires loaded in the back of pickups and dumped in the county's back roads.

Why, when we've made so much forward progress, would we want to take a step backward? Why would we want to risk seeing an increase in illegal dumping again?

We understand the economics too. It costs <u>three times as much</u> to send a crew into the back roads to collect illegally dumped items as it does to provide a convenient legal disposal site in West Maui – at Lahaina Cannery Mall.

Third Saturday Recycling works for West Maui. We ask you to please increase the funding to Malama Maui Nui to keep this program going <u>every</u> month next year.

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RECEIVED AT EDB MEETING ON 4 10 19 (WEST MALL) The mayor's proposed budget, as shown on page 190 of the Mayor's Budget Narrative, includes \$57,310 for the item labeled "Go Green West Maui Recycling". Malama Maui Nui actually requested \$118,220 for this item. We ask the Council to please increase the proposed funding by \$60,910 to the original budget request.

Thank you.



D= Current Cross Walks ★ = moped + Pizza company = 4 lane area to highway

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Testimony of Laurie Lowson 4435 Lower Honoapiilani #238 Lahaina HI 96761 Phone: 808/276-8001 Email: Laurie@Lowson.com

Good evening, Thank you for coming to West Maui to listen to our budget concerns.

I am Laurie Lowson, President of the BOD of Pohailani Maui condos. Based on that volunteer position I am asking the following: Lower Honoapiilani has been on the "schedule for paving and upgrading" every year since Alan Arakawa was first Mayor, 16 years ago. Last year Council member Elle Cochran pulled me aside at the Budget hearing and assured me that the Lower Road Hoohui Rd. to Napilihau St. was on David Goode's list for Spring 2018. Here it is Spring 2019 and this section of the Lower Road has still not been addressed. Every year, I get the same response, that the Lower Honoapiilani Rd between Hoohui Rd. and Napilihau St. will be modernized, repaired and repaved. To date this has not happened. At times, the pot holes are so deep they could swallow a bike, a moped or a small vehicle. Yes a small portion of the lower road was repaved. However, we need the entire segment to be repaired and paved, sidewalks installed sooner rather than later.

As a resident of West Maui, I would like to thank the Council and the Mayor for funding the Third Saturday Recycling program at Lahaina Cannery Mall, and to request increased funding for fiscal year 2020. This is a very necessary service which needs to continue for West Maui. I join with The Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset urging the Council to increase the proposed funding and allow these important recycling events to continue in West Maui every month.

Real property tax classifications.... Simplify fewer categories instead of more. 1. Owner Occupant 2. Long term rental or non-resident, not used as a vacation rental 3. Short term rental (include hotels, VRBO, timeshare anything that can be rented on a nightly basis for less than 6 months). 4. AG land used as such.

Thank you.

Laurie Lowson Realtor Laurie@Lowson.com

RECEIVED AT EDB MEETING ON 410/19 (WEST MAUI) Fairness and equity in taxation: Paul Laub, tmk 45003002000, 1007 Front street.

This building is sanctified. Please look at the names of the deceased on the outside of the Makai wall. All of these troopers died fighting for fairness, equity, and justice for all of our citizens. Please note the sculpture in the front Makai side of the building and see the newer names of trooper Bolor who visited my house before he was sent overseas and trooper Cajimat whose mother cried in my arms after he was killed. These along, with the picture of the 442 heroes are, Lahaina people. They gave up their lives for us and our way of life.

One thing that you can do for them is to insure that their grandchildren are able to keep their homes here.

I have three sons and Adina has 3 daughters and all have life partners. That puts 14 people in my 900 sq ft house when they all come and that is not tenable. We bought the house next door so we would have a place for them to come and stay. We can't use it as a 180 day short term rental as we would have to evict people every time our children come. What works? The short term rental system pays the bills and provides the home my children need to stay here. I know many of you know my youngest son Barak, he is a substitute teacher at Lahainaluna High School when he is in town. He also is finishing a film documentary on Voluntourism in Nepal.

We are looking for fairness in taxation so we can keep this home for our family. Please do not tax our homes out of existence.

Below is a short history of taxation since I have owned this 1,100 sq ft plantation home. It was built in 1927.

Year Amount paid

2007 \$ 13,137.20

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2008	\$ 6,745.39
2014	\$ 14,503.12
2018	\$ 16,410.76
2019	\$ 28,388.70 ( PROPOSED)

Thank You,

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