

AH Committee

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Aloha Affordable Housing Committee Chair and Members,

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide written testimony in regard to AH-1(1), AH-1(2), AH-27 (CC19-250) and AH-28 (CC19-249). Thank you as well as for your many thoughtful questions at the last committee meeting. We appreciate you are taking these proposals and all of the testimony for and against very seriously.

I was born on Oahu and am passionate about protecting Maui, knowing that the land I live on in Launiupoko is sacred. I respect that I have benefited from that prior development to make this agricultural land. I can't change the past, but I can try to do the right thing now.

I am strongly opposed to these resolutions/proposals. At the last meetings, I don't think all of the answers you received were full disclosure or honest on the side of the developers and some of the other parties provided.

I've already provided testimony providing my opposition to these proposals, indicating issues on multiple fronts - water, infrastructure, circumventing the county planning process, environmental impacts, and so on.

From the last meeting:

- 1 acre lots for ag land - these are supposed to be real farms and that is too small of a lot to truly do so.
- Cul de sacs - fire trucks and other emergency vehicles won't fit. Will parking on the street be restricted/off limits? Buses and emergency vehicles won't be able to service. It sounds like they are taking the 'cheap route'.
- What about using land that can be connected to county services? Wainee? I understand there is an effort to look at county land?
- This 'sewer' solution that they are proposing, how much do we know about the safety and environmental impacts?
- Water is a VERY significant issues now, and they can say all they want about it being ok and solvable...so why did we get letters up to over a year ago and recently saying to cut back. I understand some people take advantage of it but not all do and that shouldn't be a reason to go ahead with these projects...that must be solved otherwise, just like the issue with illegal short term rentals.

You have a very difficult job and decisions to make, but these proposals shouldn't be approved - let alone through a fast-track process for affordable housing when we all know what they are really trying to do...just make \$\$\$\$\$. The land should be kept zoned as ag land.

Mahalo,

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