

AH Committee

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Greg Brown wants to add another development. We still have the same issues that the council has heard many times over the past few years. We must be mindful of environmental impact, water issues, adequate roads, evacuation plans and the ability to carry those plans out carefully, efficiently and successfully. Tonight there is another fire, actually two fires, one started in Wailuku a few hours ago. Lahaina is completely isolated from the other side. I write this as we have opened our home to those who cannot get to their homes (because of the lack of alternate routes) from our side to the rest of the island. This is not the first time and sadly it may not be the last.

We purchased a Greg Brown home in 2008. Greg and his family lived in this home for two and a half years before we purchased it from him. Greg did not pay the attention to detail, at that time. I've seen some prepared letters praising him for his follow up and kept promises. In 2010 we asked him to make numerous problems right. He would not do anything. The house and roof required work, the land itself should have been better prepared with compacted soil for the buildings and the pool on the property. My husband and I began the first lawsuit of our life. It went on for five and a half years. Never once did he want to make anything right. I would suggest, at the very least, he be held responsible for any and all questionable building issues that come up should he be permitted to proceed with his latest plan.

We lost a building, too many memories to count, two cars and a boat the night of the fire, August 24, 2018. We were blessed that my husband saved our home with a garden hose and a wash down nozzle. Hurricane Lane was due that night. She came, but so many losses were left in her wake. There were not enough firefighters or fire equipment that night. You can imagine that those of us who survived that fire, know only too well how it feels when one realizes that there is no one coming to help. So much for evacuation plans. I called the fire department at 12:35 AM, only to have a female dispatcher scream at me to evacuate and then she hung up. I truly thought Maui's emergency services were better than that. I urge you to think very carefully when you determine how his latest plan will go. It will indeed burden those of us who live here, but it will also burden those who are planning to buy one of his homes in this area.

Think about this...Greg no longer lives on this island. He moved to the Bg island because things became too congested on this island. It would be an absolute miracle if he really cared about helping people with housing and not just making more money from a piece of land he bought with the plan of selling as the now defunct "Makila Kai". Today, we are proposing "Makila Farms". Same leopard, same spots.

Respectfully,

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