

# HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

## MINUTES

September 3, 2025

Online Only via Teams

**CONVENE:** 9:02 a.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmember Tasha Kama, Chair  
Councilmember Nohelani U‘u-Hodgins, Vice-Chair (In 9:12 a.m.)  
Councilmember Tom Cook, Member  
Councilmember Gabe Johnson, Member  
Councilmember Alice L. Lee, Member  
Councilmember Tamara Paltin, Member  
Councilmember Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Member (In 9:04 a.m.)  
Councilmember Shane M. Sinenci, Member (In 9:03 a.m.)  
Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Member (In 9:32 a.m.)

**STAFF:** James Krueger, Senior Legislative Analyst  
Ellen McKinley, Legislative Analyst  
Carla Nakata, Legislative Attorney  
Jennifer Yamashita, Committee Secretary  
Jean Pokipala, Council Services Assistant Clerk  
Ryan Martins, Council Ambassador

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Zhantell Lindo, Council Aide, Moloka‘i Residency Area Office  
Roxanne Morita, Council Aide, Lāna‘i Residency Area Office  
Mavis Oliveira, Council Aide, East Maui Residency Area Office  
Bill Snipes, Council Aide, South Maui Residency Area Office  
Clyde “Buddy” Almeida, Council Aide, Makawao-Ha‘ikū-Pā‘ia Residency Area Office

**ADMIN.:** Nāhulu Nunokawa, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel  
Greg Pfof, Administrative Planning Officer, Department of Planning (Item HLU-5)  
Aliko Biniaris, Planner V, Department of Planning (Item HLU-7)  
Paul Barany, Deputy Director, Department of Public Works (Item HLU-7)

**OTHERS:** Resource Personnel  
Dr. Keiki-Pua Dancil, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs and Strategic Planning for Pūlama Lāna‘i (Item HLU-5)  
Dr. Robyn M. Garner, Applicant (Item HLU-7)

Testifiers

Keiki-Pua Dancil, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs and Strategic Planning for Pūlama Lāna‘i (Item HLU-5)

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CHAIR KAMA:   . . . *(gavel)*. . . Will the Housing and Land Use Committee meeting of September 3rd, 2025, come to order. It is now 9:02 a.m. And I'm Tasha Kama, Chair of the Housing and Land Use Committee. This online meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Sunshine Law. Members, when your name is called, if you are not with me in the Council Chamber, please identify by name who, if anyone, is in your workspace with you today, and minors do not need to be identified. So, this morning, we're going to say aloha kakahiaka and yassou to our Committee...oops, let's see. We're going to start with Council Chair Alice Lee, who will give us a tiny history of where we got our greeting for the day.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. The history is, I looked it up on Google. Well, no. Actually, my...my grandson, who...who helped me a lot, put together a list of about 500 to 600 greetings I have in a folder, and I alternate using these greetings. And...but today, we had a...a request from you.

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: And so, the...the Greeks also say hello a lot, but I thought we'd find a...a word that is more representative of their culture. So, yassou to you, Chair --

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- and good morning.

CHAIR KAMA: Good morning. And thank you for that, Ms. Lee. And, you know, she always tells us if you just happen to be at Foodland and bump into someone from whatever country, see? Now, you can say hello to them. So, we're going to continue with our Councilmember Tamara Paltin. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou to you.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Aloha kakahiaka and yassou kākou.

CHAIR KAMA: Maika'i. We're going to continue on with Councilmember Gabe Johnson. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou to you.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yassou, Chair, Councilmembers, community members. There's no testifiers at the Lāna'i District Office, and I'm here and ready to work. Mahalo.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Hopefully, it won't be a long workday. I want to say good morning, aloha kakahiaka, and yassou to Councilmember Tom Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Aloha kakahiaka, yassou, and good morning.

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CHAIR KAMA: And we want --

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: There's current --

CHAIR KAMA: -- to say aloha --

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: There's currently no --

CHAIR KAMA: -- oh, no...

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: -- testifiers in Kihei. I apologize.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. But your Staff is there at the office?

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Ready and willing.

CHAIR KAMA: Ready and willing. Okay. I want to say good morning to Councilmember Shane Sinenci, and yassou to you also.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair and yassou, everybody. Here at my home office, I'm here by myself. And there are no testifiers in Hāna, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. I do not see Council Vice-Chair Yuki Lei Sugimura. I got a note she might be a little late. And I do not see Member Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. Does anyone see them? If not, when I do see them, or if you all see them...

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Do I hear her? Are you there, Keani?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yeah. Aloha kakahiaka, Chair, mai Moloka'i Nui a Hina. I'm at the...at my private residence, alone. There are currently no testifiers at the Moloka'i District Office. Sorry, I'm working on getting my camera working.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. All right. And this morning, we have with us, from Department of Corp. Counsel, Nāhulu Nunokawa. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou.

MR. NUNOKAWA: Aloha kakahiaka and yassou, Chair and Members.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. And then we have with us, from the Department of Planning, our Administrative Planning Officer, Gregory Pfof. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou to you.

MR. PFOF: Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: We also have with us, who'll be available from the Department of Planning when we do HLU-7, is our Planner V, Aliko Biniaris; is that correct? Your last name, how to pronounce it? Oh, over there. How do you pronounce your last name?

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MS. BINIARIS: [Bin-yar-is].

CHAIR KAMA: [Been-yar-is] *[sic]*.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

CHAIR KAMA: Oh, look at that, it's Greek. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

CHAIR KAMA: See? So, now, everybody can say yassou to Ms. Biniaris. All right. Thank you for being here. And we have, from the Department of Public Works, our Deputy Director, Paul Barany. Is he here online...for HLU-7? Okay. And then we have our Committee Staff with us. Our Senior Legislative Analyst, James Krueger. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou.

MR. KRUEGER: Good morning, Chair and Members.

CHAIR KAMA: And we have our Legislative Analyst, Ellen McKinley. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou to you.

MS. MCKINLEY: Good morning, Chair and Members.

CHAIR KAMA: And then we have with us our Committee Secretary, Jennifer Yamashita. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou to you.

MS. YAMASHITA: Good morning, Chair and Members.

CHAIR KAMA: And we have with us our Legislative Attorney, Carla Nakata. I'm assuming you're somewhere out there, Carla?

MS. NAKATA: Aloha, Chair and Members.

CHAIR KAMA: Oh. Aloha. And we have, outside in the lobby registering our testifiers, is Ms. Jean Pokipala, our Assistant Clerk. Aloha, Jean, and yassou to you. And we have our Council Ambassador, Mr. Ryan Martins, out in the lobby also. Aloha kakahiaka and yassou. So, thank you, Members, for attending this morning's HLU Committee meeting. We have two items on the agenda today. HLU-5, which is Bill 21 (2025), Amending Chapter 19.36B, Maui County Code, Relating to Exempting Parking in a Specific Boundary Area of Lāna'i City; and HLU-7, Bill 78 (2025), Change in Zoning from Agricultural District to R-2 Residential District for Property Situated at 155 *[sic]* Nukuna Place, Wailuku, Maui, Hawai'i.

CHAIR KAMA: So, Members, we're going to take testimony after opening comments and presentation for each of the items, but let's begin with our first item, which is Bill 21.

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**BILL 21 (2025), AMENDING CHAPTER 19.36B, MAUI COUNTY CODE,  
RELATING TO EXEMPTING PARKING IN A SPECIFIC BOUNDARY  
AREA OF LĀNA‘I CITY (HLU-5)**

CHAIR KAMA: Bill 21 (2025) would allow uses within the Park (PK) and P-1 Public/Quasi-Public districts of Dole Park to be exempt from Chapter 19.36B of the Maui County Code, off-street parking and loading. Many of the properties surrounding Dole Park are zoned B-CT, or Country Town Business District. Under Code Section 19.36B.040(B), Country Town Business District design guidelines prevail over Chapter 19.36B if there is a conflict. The Lāna‘i Country Town Business District guidelines exempt B-CT properties from Code Chapter 19.36B parking requirements because of the large amount of parking surrounding Dole Park. The Park and the P-1 Public/Quasi Public districts of Dole Park are still subject to the parking requirements, so this bill would provide equity for those districts in relation to the surrounding properties. Assisting us with this item is Gregory Pfof, an Administrative Planning Officer with the Department of Planning. So, Mr. Pfof, would you like to do your presentation at this time?

MR. PFOF: Yes. Thank you, Chair. Members of the Committee, I have just a very brief presentation to kind of at least give us a little bit more background of how we got here. This is actually a Code amendment that’s been initiated by the Lāna‘i Planning Commission. And I’ll start off with the...hopefully this...there we go. If you can see that, that is basically an aerial photo of the Dole Park block that is surrounded by Seventh Street, Eighth Street to the south, and Fraser Avenue to the west, and Lāna‘i Avenue to the east. And Dole Park is as...the entire block is basically the park, with exception to a small piece right in the middle there, which is the Lāna‘i Bowling Alley. And Lāna‘i Resorts LLC has been moving forward with wanting to demolish and build a new bowling alley on that site, and they have actually obtained permits, and...and are under construction.

CHAIR KAMA: Wow.

MR. PFOF: So, let me go to this next slide...well, actually, I’m sorry, let me go back one more. Let’s...bear with me. The...the aerial photo in Dole Park, if you know Dole Park, it has a significant number of on-street parking spaces surrounding the park. There’s angled parking spaces that are adjacent to the park, both on Seventh and Eighth Street, with parallel parking spaces on-street across...on the other side of the street. Then there’s some intermittent parallel...intermittent parallel parking on both Fraser and Lāna‘i Avenues. So, there’s plenty of on-street public parking in that area, and all of the surrounding land uses, the retail uses, utilize that parking as...as part of their...as part of their businesses. The zoning of the property is...is interesting, and this next slide, actually, is the...our zoning map. And right in the middle, you’ll see that big green rectangle, and that’s Dole Park surrounded by the streets, and it is zoned, actually Park, naturally. And then you’ll see the little blue square in the middle of the park, which is the bowling alley, and that is zoned Public/Quasi-Public. So, it’s a different zoning designation. More importantly is the surrounding lots, which are zoned...which are in pink color, which is the Business Country Town zoning designation. And within Lāna‘i, the Business Country Town zoning designations, all of those pink areas, are not required

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to provide any parking because there is so much parking surrounding Dole Park that's available for the public's use. And so, they are exempt from parking. So, any of those uses surrounding the park that are shown in pink are exempt from parking. However, the little blue box that's in the middle of the park, the Public/Quasi-Public use, is not exempt from parking. Let me go to this next slide here, and give you a little bit of background on how we got here. So, back in July and August at the Lānaʻi Planning Commission meetings, staff made the Lānaʻi Planning Commission aware of a parking revision that was being proposed by Lānaʻi Resorts LLC, and was approved by the Department, which would reduce their parking requirement for the new bowling alley by 50 percent. That's a provision that's in the Code that's allowed to occur. So, the Department approved that, and so instead of requiring 42 spaces, the new bowling alley required 21 spaces. Well, when we made that information known to the Lānaʻi Planning Commission, they were thinking, well, why do we need 21 more parking spaces in this area? It seems like it's overkill, and what can we do about that? So, they were concerned. Lānaʻi City is very unique, not needing additional 21 parking spaces. So, they asked for staff to come back, and...and...and how can we move forward with doing a change to this? So, I went to Lānaʻi Planning Commission in September of last year, and presented on how they can move forward with a Code amendment initiation process. And subsequently, they did that. In November and December of last year, they initiated a Code amendment to try and make a change to not require parking for this bowling alley basically, or the site within Dole Park. In December...December 18th of 2024, they approved that Code amendment, and that's why we're here today, as there...this...a Code amendment that's been initiated by the Lānaʻi Planning Commission. So, real briefly, the Code amendment that's before you is...basically would exempt the Dole Park from providing any parking. So, it would basically treat Dole Park the same as the surrounding land uses that already are exempt from parking. So, it...it in...and it's basically a Code amendment that adds a section to 19.36B.040, after...if this Code amendment is approved by the Council, then the new bowling alley will not have to provide any parking area, any...any off-site parking. Currently, what they are proposing to do is providing...they're proposing to provide 21 off-site parking spaces. But if this initiation goes through, and this Code amendment goes through, they will not have to provide any parking. And that concludes my presentation. Hopefully I can answer any questions you have.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you very much, Mr. Pfost, for that presentation. So, do we have testifiers today? Okay.

MS. MCKINLEY: Yes, Chair, we do have a testifier. Councilmember Uʻu-Hodgins has...

CHAIR KAMA: Oh. Look at you, you just blended in. So, we're going to say good morning, aloha kakahiaka, and yassou to the Chairman [sic] of this Committee, Member Nohelani Uʻu-Hodgins.

VICE-CHAIR UʻU-HODGINS: Good morning, Chair. Good morning, everyone.

CHAIR KAMA: And yassou comes from Greece, and we have someone from Greece sitting right behind of you. Yeah. And she'll be on for our second agenda item. . . .(laughing). . .

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**. . . BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ITEM HLU-5 . . .**

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. So, let me read our instructions for our testifiers. So, for Microsoft Teams participants logged in via web or the Teams app, please indicate that you would like to testify by clicking the raise-your-hand icon in the top right of your window. Staff will add your name to the testifier list. If you are joined by telephone, star-5 will raise your virtual hand, and Staff will put your name on the testifiers list, and then lower your hand. Please keep your audio and video muted until you are called to testify. Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted via the eComment link at [mauicounty.us/agendas](http://mauicounty.us/agendas). Oral testimony is limited to three minutes per item. When you reach the two-minute mark, you will hear an audible notice. If you are still testifying when the notice sounds, please complete your testimony within the remaining minute. For those on Microsoft Teams, please ensure your name appears in Teams as the name you prefer to be referred to, or as anonymous if you wish to testify anonymously. If you're in-person, please notify Staff if you would like to testify anonymously. Otherwise, please state your full name for the record at the beginning of your testimony. Decorum will be maintained throughout this meeting. Violation of decorum may result in being removed from the Chamber or the online meeting. You can also view the meeting on *Akakū* Channel 53, Facebook Live, or [mauicounty.us/agendas](http://mauicounty.us/agendas). So, thank you for your cooperation. So, at this time, we're going to call on testifiers wishing to testify on HLU-5.

MS. MCKINLEY: Chair, the first and currently only person signed up to testify is Keiki-Pua Dancil.

CHAIR KAMA: Aloha, Dr. Dancil.

MS. DANCIL: Aloha kakahiaka, Chair Kama, Vice-Chair U'u-Hodgins, and Members of the Committee. My name is Keiki-Pua Dancil, Senior Vice-President, Government Affairs and Strategic Planning for Pūlama Lānaʻi. Pūlama Lānaʻi is in support of Bill 21, CD1 (2025), which would exempt parking requirements for properties in Lānaʻi City within Dole Park. As Greg mentioned, this bill was catalyzed by the Planning Department's approval of a 50 percent parking reduction for Lānaʻi Bowl Project. That process made it clear that the County's current parking code isn't aligned with the character of Lānaʻi City, a compact, walkable town. Many nearby properties are already exempt from parking requirements under County Town Business, or BC-T zoning, but parcels within Dole Park are not, even though it functions the same. This ordinance corrects that inconsistency. The Lānaʻi Planning Commission recognized the broader issue, and formally asked the Planning Department to study it further. One commissioner put it well. Maui County Code is not one-size-fits-all, and Lānaʻi needs policies that reflects its unique context. After multiple meetings, the Commission unanimously recommended this Code amendment in December of 2024. Their action aligns with the Lānaʻi Community Plan, which calls for walkability, town character, and context-sensitive policies. This bill supports the unique character of Lānaʻi City, and it has the support of the community. We respectfully ask that you pass Bill 21 CD1 today. Aloha.

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CHAIR KAMA: Members, any clarifying questions for our testifier? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Dr. Dancil, for your testimony. My clarifying question was, were you there for the Planning Commission hearings?

MS. DANCIL: I was there for all of the hearings.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And then I seen one sticker on Lānaʻi that said, what happens on Lānaʻi everybody knows, and I was wondering how much like testimony there was over there, and does everybody knows [sic] about this? Like...it's not like just the Commission was there?

MS. DANCIL: We did have a few testifiers in the minutes providing...provided in the packet. You do see some people testifying. This project was also brought forward a year prior to the Cultural Resource Commission, in which there was a representative from Lānaʻi on that commission--at that time it was Mr. Dela Cruz--and we had several people testify at that as well. We've also had multiple community meetings talking about this, and as you...if you guys came to Pineapple Festival this last summer, you would have seen that we have moved forward with the demolition. And we are finishing up the project in December, and the community is very excited about this project. Councilmember Johnson can add more context, but everybody is super excited about this project.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, and then just one follow up. How come it needed to go through the Cultural Resource Commission? Is it a historic district on Lānaʻi?

MS. DANCIL: It's not a historic district. It was an extra step that the Planning Department asked us to do because we were demolishing the building, and the building was over 50 years old. But it was not historic. It...just because the age of the building, and that it had been there for a while. So, they wanted us to do this extra step. It was something very unique and special that they added to the long list of different things that we've had to do for this project.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And...and the building's already been demolished?

MS. DANCIL: The building is demolished because it wasn't structurally sound for the improvements that needed to be made so that it could be a safe place for everyone to participate in the bowling activity.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Is...is bowling a high school sport on Lānaʻi?

MS. DANCIL: Not yet. Never know.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Got it. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: I think Member Rawlins-Fernandez might have a question also.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Aloha, Ms. Dancil. Mahalo for your testimony. I...I don't know what this parking area is called, it's on the corner of

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Fraser and Twelfth near the laundromat. I...when I've gone there, I've seen your...or Pūlama Lānaʻi's electric vehicles parked there, and it seemed like pretty big and empty. Has anyone asked whether there should be, you know, 21 stalls there...reserved for the public there in exchange for this exemption?

MS. DANCIL: Mahalo. I'm so sorry, I can't see you, so I don't know where I'm looking. But mahalo for the question, Councilmember Rawlins-Fernandez. No one has asked us that question. We've already received a parking reduction for...which is allowed in the County Code today. Because Lānaʻi City is a unique area, we are allowed 50 percent reduction, and we have approval for that, and that's what sparked this. And so, we have gone through all the different steps to do off-site parking, which you have to provide within 500 feet of the property, that is a requirement for off-street parking. And we have already designated that...that requires a bunch of different things, including a unilateral agreement that is recorded with the Bureau of Conveyances...that's been recorded with the Bureau of Conveyances. So, if this doesn't pass, we will still move forward because we have the ability to provide those extra parking spaces that is required for this project.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay. So, if you have those parking spaces, what...what is the need for this then?

MS. DANCIL: This was sparked by the Lānaʻi Planning Commission. They're the ones that thought that this was above and beyond that's needed in Lānaʻi. That is for...the off-site parking spaces have to be dedicated, per Maui County Code, for off-street parking--meaning that no one can park in those stalls except those that are patrons of the bowling alley. So, this would basically tie up 13 of those stalls--actually it's 20 because we're providing 20 off-site and one on-site, which is the ADA parking stall--and so 20 stalls would just be for patrons only. If somebody wants to run into Richard's Market, or run into the bank, they cannot park there because the signs say for bowling alley patrons only. And that is a requirement of the unilateral agreement for off-street parking.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, you are providing 20 off-street parking...public parking?

MS. DANCIL: If this passes, we don't have to. But because this is a requirement for the bowling alley project, we have to provide these 21 stalls, and we are prepared to do that. Should this not pass, we will still move forward with those 20 off-site, one on-site parking spaces. But if this does pass, we will not have to put those reserved only 20 setbacks (*phonetic*) off-site.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair?

CHAIR KAMA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: If Ms. Dancil is available, can we have her as a resource after we close public testimony?

CHAIR KAMA: What was the question? I'm sorry.

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COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Resource person.

CHAIR KAMA: And who would you like that to be? Okay.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

CHAIR KAMA: Dr. Dancil, is that possible for you to stay with us?

MS. DANCIL: I can. Yeah.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Thank you. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo.

CHAIR KAMA: Is there any other questions, Members? Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you, Chair. In regards to the 21 spots, where exactly do you guys plan to put them if this doesn't pass?

MS. DANCIL: So, one spot is on-site. So, Maui County Code is, you have to provide on-site. Had we not done this off-site, we would have had to put parking stalls in Dole Park. We did not want to do that. Nobody in Lānaʻi City wants to do that.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Right.

MS. DANCIL: That's why we applied for an off-site parking. So, one of those required 21 spots is on-site. The other 20 are across the street. It...13 are along Lānaʻi Avenue in front of Dole Admin --

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Where the old post office was?

MS. DANCIL: -- those will all be reserved. So, right now...no, across the street in front of Dole Admin --

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Oh. Okay. Across the street.

MS. DANCIL: -- it's on the other side of the street.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah.

MS. DANCIL: And then the other 7--so 13 there--so where people come and drop off people, and park, and go to Dole Admin, that would be reserved for only...bowling alley patrons only. And then across of the newly-donated First Hawaiian Bank on the other side of Seventh Street, along...in Dole Admin parcel, there would be seven stalls on the grassy area there.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah.

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MS. DANCIL: That would be reserved for only bowling alley patrons.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah. I...I recall...I recall you mentioning that...you know, I recall this, but thanks for that explanation, I just wanted it on record. Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Members --

MS. DANCIL: Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: -- any other questions for our testifier? If not, she'll be with us when the item comes up, and she'll be a resource for us. Okay. If not, thank you so much --

MS. DANCIL: Mahalo.

CHAIR KAMA: -- Dr. Dancil. Staff, are there any other testifiers?

MS. MCKINLEY: No, Chair. Would you like us to proceed with last call?

CHAIR KAMA: Yes, please.

MS. MCKINLEY: Proceeding with last call. If anyone in the audience or on Teams would like to testify, please come up to the mic and begin your testimony, or use the raise-your-hand function on Teams, and Staff will unmute you. Providing a brief countdown...three, two, one. Seeing none. Chair, no one has indicated they wish to testify.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. So, Members, seeing as there are no more individuals wishing to testify, without objection, I would like to close oral testimony. And as a reminder, written testimony will continue to be accepted into the record.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

**. . .CLOSE PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ITEM HLU-5 . . .**

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Okay. So, we're going to begin our discussion. But before we begin, I would like to ask Member Johnson for his comments regarding the presentation and what our testifier has said.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Sure.

CHAIR KAMA: And this will not count against his three minutes.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. Sure. Thank you, Chair. Well, you know, Dole Park, even though I don't like the name, is a...definitely a place for our community to gather. It's the water park...or the water cooler of our community where we gather, talk

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story...and I...I love that about our community. You...very uniquely as far a Lānaʻi goes, is that the center of town is not the business district...the center of town is a park, just like in Central Park in New York City. The...the architects and designers call that like the garden city, you know, where the center is actually a big beautiful green park. So, I always support, you know, anything we can do to make the park beautiful and nice. I don't agree with having 21 spots in the park, that's definitely a no...a no...I wouldn't support that. And, you know, our...our Lānaʻi Planning Commission, this is initiated by them, they wanted to protect that...the areas that Dr. Dancil just mentioned. And then the park, it's...like the surrounding stalls, like Mr. Pfof mentioned, there's plenty of parking. Only on occasions, like Pineapple Festival, is it going to be really crowded.

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: But I mean, that's once a year.

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: And the idea that it's a walkable town--which is why I support sidewalks in our community on Lānaʻi.

CHAIR KAMA: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: That...that is a...it...it is a walkable town. And, you know, with the new skate park, you see the little scooters, and the skateboards, and all the multimodal type of transportation. So, I think the idea of, you know, all these parking stalls is a little bit overkill. We should come in, look at Lānaʻi and its uniqueness, and say yes, we are a walkable town, and we do have plenty of stalls around there, and that's the center of town, so let's keep it as...as good as we can, as original as we can, with that same old school vibe. So, I...I support this. And that's what I just wanted to add. Thank you for allowing this chance.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Okay. So, we're going to go and continue our discussion, and I'll...of course, we have our resource available to each and every one of you. So, why don't we begin with our Vice-Chair, Councilmember Nohe U'u-Hodgins.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Thank you, Chair. And sorry if I missed it, but either...whoever can answer this, but how many parking stalls are available in this business town center? Do you know, Member Johnson? Oh. Or anybody else?

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Maybe you could ask our resource, but --

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- I'm...I'm not sure, actually, in the number.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Okay. I understand it's sufficient, I'm just curious of how many parking stalls are available for public use.

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CHAIR KAMA: Dr. Dancil?

MS. DANCIL: Mahalo, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins. Around Dole Park, there’s 108 stalls...on --

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: Oh.

MS. DANCIL: -- Seventh Street and Eighth Street, and that’s just around Dole Park. It’s County-owned because it’s County roads. So, there’s more than enough. And that doesn’t include the parallel parking on the other side of the street --

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: Uh-huh.

MS. DANCIL: -- as well as the 13 stalls that we would be blocking it off and reserving for bowling alley only. So, there are enough parking stalls around Dole Park.

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: Okay. Yeah. I mean I’m looking at Google Earth now, and whenever this was taken, I see all the stalls, and there’s about...I don’t know, 15 cars there.

MS. DANCIL: 108. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: Yeah. . . .*(laughing)*. . . There’s like a bunch of parking stalls. Okay. I don’t have any other questions, and I’m happy to support. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. And at this time I’d like to recognize Council Vice-Chair Yuki Lei Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yeah. Good morning.

CHAIR KAMA: Aloha kakahiaka and yassou --

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yassou.

CHAIR KAMA: -- from the Island of Greek [*sic*]. And we happen to have someone with us, who’s going to be our presenter at the next item coming up from Greece.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh. Nice.

CHAIR KAMA: So, yassou is...

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, yassou, and then we’ll find out if we’re I’m saying it correct. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: But good morning. I’m sorry for my tardiness, I was helping my husband with something at home. So, he became more important than zipping down the mountain. Thank you. Sorry.

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CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Thank you for being here. So, we're going to go to Chair Lee for any questions you might have, and then we'll continue on.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you very much. I have no questions. I'm ready to support this.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Are you ready, Member Suki Lei [sic]...Yuki Lei, or do you want us to come back?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: For us is an item...I got to log in. So, Pūlama Lānaʻi is being required to have...is it 13 designated private stalls just for the 21...

CHAIR KAMA: Dr. Dancil is one of our resources, so you might want to direct that to her.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. So, is 21 stalls only for the bowling alley; is that correct?

CHAIR KAMA: Dr. Dancil?

MS. DANCIL: Aloha, Councilmember Sugimura. That is correct. We are required per Code to provide 21 stalls. We are providing one on-site property parking stall, and 20 off-site parking stalls.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh. So, when you say 20 off-site--sorry if there was a map--is it going to be around the park, or is it like across the street, or is it within the town--where is it? Because Lānaʻi is so cute, right?

MS. DANCIL: Correct. And this is--and this was why the Planning Commission started this discussion because they were curious why we had to provide additional parking. The 13 stalls--so we have two different places. Thirteen stalls would be across of Dole Park in front of the Dole Administration building, and then there would be seven stalls along Seventh Street across of the newly-donated First Hawaiian Bank building. And those would be reserved, meaning no one else can park there except for bowling alley patrons.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay.

MS. DANCIL: So, should this measure move forward, then we wouldn't have to provide those dedicated parking stalls.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: You would not have to.

MS. DANCIL: But we are...we would not have to. We are prepared today because that is required for us to complete the bowling alley project.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, if we say no to you, then what happens?

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MS. DANCIL: I will move forward and provide those parking stalls as required by the bowling alley project.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Sorry. Somebody was talking. Say again. Then what?

MS. DANCIL: If you guys vote no today, we will still move forward and provide those stalls across the street within 500 feet as required by Maui County Code for the bowling alley project.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. Thank you. *(pause)* Oh, okay. Oh, I see, I see. This is one of those yes-no kind of backward questions.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. We're going to continue on with Member Tamara Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh, that's weird.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. My first question is, how many A...of the 21 stalls are required to be ADA? And then my second question, would those 21 stalls be places of public accommodation stalls, and would any of them need to be EV-ready or EV chargers? And my third question is, who enforces? If we were to vote no today, and they need to have the signs for bowling alley use only, who would enforce that? Those are my three questions. And then if there's more than one ADA stall, is the one on-site going to be an ADA parking? Because I imagine you need at least one ADA, right?

MR. PFOST: So, I know that...

CHAIR KAMA: Member *[sic]*...Dr. Dancil? Yes.

MS. DANCIL: Greg can answer, and I can provide...I know he was starting. So, maybe, Greg, you can go first, and then I can provide additional.

MR. PFOST: Thank you. Yes. I know that they are providing the one ADA parking space on-site. I know their off-site parking plan includes 20 spaces, and I believe--and Dr. Dancil can correct me if I'm wrong--two additional ADA spaces next to the Administration Building when I last saw the plan, but I could be incorrect. And so, I don't believe any of those are required to be EV because the...what's not req...  
...*(inaudible)*...

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Bill only went to the Planning Commission, yeah?

MR. PFOST: It...it's coming forward. ...*(laughing)*... At this moment, none of them require EV. To make sure that the...that the bowling alley...at least the restriction for parking for the bowling alley signs are up, we would do a certificate of occupancy inspection before we release certificate of occupancy on the bowling alley to make sure that they...those parking spaces, those off-site parking spaces, are provided and signed correctly if this amendment does not move forward.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: But nobody would actively enforce it--like hey, you're going to the post office, you're supposed to go to the bowling alley?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

MR. PFOST: No. We would not have active enforcement out there doing that. That's correct.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. And then I guess for Dr. Dancil, are you planning to make any of those EV-ready? And if there's two additional ADA stalls that are not on-site, is there sidewalk connecting...or like ramp sidewalk connecting to the bowling alley for like if they have wheelchairs, mobile...motorized scooters, or something? And even though EV is not...EV-ready is not required, are any of them planned to be EV stalls?

MS. DANCIL: Right now...thank you, Councilmember Paltin, for those questions.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Anytime.

MS. DANCIL: So, the one required ADA is right next door to the bowling alley, and there will be accessible sidewalks across the street. . . .*(timer sounds)*. . . There are ADA stalls, and there is...they would have to go alongside of...across the street, which has a crosswalk, so that's obviously not a sidewalk, and then it connects to a sidewalk on both sides of Eighth Street.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Does the sidewalk have that ramp slope thing?

MS. DANCIL: I can't recall off of my...the top of my head. But I know the one next to where the required one that we have to provide, so there's additional. So, the one that we have to provide is --

CHAIR KAMA: Has to have a ramp. A ramp...

MS. DANCIL: -- will have...will meet all of the compliance for ADA.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And...and none of them are planned to be EV? Just sometimes you throw in extras, yeah, because multibillionaire.

MS. DANCIL: These are not planned to be EV-ready.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. And just one last thing...oh, no, never mind. Sorry. That was for Mr. Pfoست, and I missed my opportunity. Next round.

CHAIR KAMA: Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Thank you, Chair. Do you...if you are required to put those stalls across from Dole Park, where will people park for going to the Cultural Center, having the...the Christmas lighting ceremony, all...the events that happen on that side of the street, where are they going to park; in the back?

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MS. DANCIL: That is correct. Thank you, Councilmember Johnson. They...there are parking stalls behind Dole Admin that they would have available to them.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Okay. I...I just wanted to make sure. Yeah. All right. That's my only question. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Member Keani Rawlins-Fernandez?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Sorry. I was looking at the presentation, so I guess this question...well, for either. How many parking stalls are there around Dole Park? *(pause)* Mr. Pfof, do you have information?

MR. PFOF: I believe Dr. Dancil's indicated there were 108.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, the 108, and then 42 was required by the Code, and it was reduced to 21, and then that would have...so, that would have brought it up to 129 parking stalls?

MR. PFOF: The...

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I mean . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

MR. PFOF: Well, the use itself would require 21 spaces. Where they put those 21 spaces then is up to the applicant. They could have tried to squeeze 21 spaces on the property with the bowling alley, but I think it's a tight fit for their bowling alley construction. So, they were taking advantage of the...another provision in the Code that allows you to do off-site parking. So, they were going to provide an additional new 21 off-site parking spaces, and that's the proposal that they are proposing to do if this...if this Code amendment does not pass, they will have to provide 21 off-site parking spaces in addition to the existing 108 that already serve Dole Park and the surrounding land uses.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, the 108 would stay the same, and then 21 would be outside of the 500 feet, or within the 500 feet of Dole Park --

MR. PFOF: Within --

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- or the bowling alley.

MR. PFOF: -- within 500 feet of the bowling alley, that's the requirement of the Code. When you do off-site parking to meet your parking requirements, you have to be within 500 feet. There's also some other requirements, of which the applicant has been pursuing all of those requirements as they are under construction for their bowling alley. So, if this initiation request is not yet approved, they are have...they do have the ability to

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install those 21 spaces. But if the initiation and this Code amendment goes through, then they don't have to provide the 21 spaces.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, I...I didn't read through the entirety of the meeting minutes, but I saw that there were four meetings...the Lānaʻi Planning Commission took four meetings to make a decision. So, it doesn't sound like it was like an...an easy decision to come to. And, you know, I'll...I'll like read through the meeting minutes a little bit more, but would...would you be able to kind of summarize why it took like four meetings to come to that...to the decision, the recommendation that we're considering today and --

MR. PFOST: Sure.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: -- why...why it took...so that was on December, and it's...it's September now, why it took this long to get to the Council?

MR. PFOST: Sure. Actually, it was...actually, it was fairly easy process for the Lānaʻi Planning Commission to debate this issue because it was their idea. They're the ones that initiated the idea. . . .(timer sounds). . . The difficulty was...is that it was the July 17th and August 21st, 2024, meetings, where we actually just discussed...discussed why...why the applicant needed to provide these additional 21 spaces, and they were concerned that 21 spaces had to be provided. So, it was during those meetings that the Lānaʻi Planning Commission said well, I don't...we don't think that these 21 spaces need to be provided, how can we move forward with any kind of a Code amendment to address this issue? And so, at a subsequent meeting, a third meeting then, I presented to the Lānaʻi Planning Commission how you go about doing a Code amendment initiation request. And that process actually takes two meetings to do, per Code. And so, that was the September 18th meeting, where I instructed them on how you go about doing that. So, then on the November 20th, they had to put it on the agenda just to discuss the initiation request, which they did, and that took relatively a very quick time to do that because they wanted to go forward. And then...so finally, it was on the December 18th meeting where they actually discussed the initiation request and approved it. So, it was really only one meeting where they actually approved the initiation request. It was actually...it was fairly straightforward process and quick, but it just...the...the...the process requires a number of meetings to go through.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Mr. Pfof, for summarizing the timeline of that. I appreciate it. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: You're welcome. Member Cook.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Thank you, Chair. I'm supportive of the proposal. And I guess it's a unique land use adaptation where the actual...the community is requesting it. It's educational to see how complicated it is to change a parking requirement when people are asking for it within the community. I commend the Planning Department for their work with it. The local representative is supportive, so I'm supportive, and I think that this is a worthy project, and I'm looking forward to going bowling with Gabe on Lānaʻi.

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CHAIR KAMA: Nice. Okay. Let me see, one...two...three...four...five...six...seven...eight. Ha. Mr. Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo, Chair. I don't have any questions right now, but happy to support the Lāna'i Planning Commission's recommendations, as well as Member Johnson's recommendations. I do agree Lāna'i is such a...a unique and special place that the community knows best. So, I'll...I'll refer [sic] to them. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Very good. The Chair has no questions. Member Paltin, did you have a round two?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. I guess, Dr. Dancil, how many lanes are there going to be?

MS. DANCIL: Thank you, Councilmember Paltin. There will be four lanes. It was initially built with four lanes, and we will continue to have the same number of lanes. If you would indulge me, Chair Kama, I did pull up the LPAP, which was approved by the Planning Department, which will provide a visual so that you all can see where these parking stalls are --

CHAIR KAMA: Oh, okay. Please.

MS. DANCIL: -- and things like that, if that would be helpful since there are so many questions.

CHAIR KAMA: It'll be helpful.

MS. DANCIL: I apologize, I didn't think I would be a resource, I would have had it available. So, if I --

CHAIR KAMA: Sure.

MS. DANCIL: -- if you allow to share my screen?

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: That would be great. Are the four lanes going to be regulation-size?

MS. DANCIL: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: For all four lanes? One ball. What if your fingers don't fit? Oh, I see it.

MS. DANCIL: Okay. So, I'm going to just try to give you orientation. So, this is Dole Park, and this is the proposed bowling alley. Right here, you see adjacent to it, Councilmember Paltin, the ADA stall. So, they would be accessible on the sidewalk. So, this is the one stall. The additional 13 stalls that I talked about are across the street in front of what we call the Dole Administration building, or the Dole Admin building, and

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those...we have those 13 stalls here. Those additional ADA stalls that Greg spoke about, Planner Greg, are here, and they are not part of the count because those ADA stalls here are for the Dole Admin building. And there are ramps and sidewalks to the building. And then the additional seven...because again, remember, we need 21...so we have one on-site, 13 here, and then we'll have seven grassy spaces here. And that is right across of this parcel here, which has been recently donated to the County. This is the former First Hawaiian Bank building. So, this area here will be reserved for the bowling alley patrons. So, this would be reserved for bowling alley patrons, and these here would be reserved. And they would be marked at such... striped, and marked, and signs. Anybody have any questions?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I had a couple more questions. So, like whether or not we pass this, you're going to provide those stalls. And so, that's great. But do you envision, like years into the future, that there would be more growth or something, that people might want stalls? I guess it would be a question for . . .(timer sounds). . . Planner Greg. Do...do the Planning...Lānaʻi Planning Commission have the opportunity to vet future projects and say, you know, now, where our community's doubled or tripled in size, and we need more parking, like say 50, or like is there a pathway to growth in the future farther down the line? If we pass this, it can be amended by a future planning commission, future Council?

MR. PFOST: Thank you for the question. I think that's a...it's a...it is a bigger question. The important thing, I think, to consider is that the design guidelines for...for this area right here actually specify and...and talk about what the future's going to look like, and everything like that. And then...and it talks about actually requiring an exempted parking already for all of those uses that surround Dole Park, for the most part. All of those existing retail uses do not have to provide required parking. And that's already been worked out through the guidelines and the Code. And so, it's already acknowledged that it's trying to maintain what a Business Country Town, small town feel is, without having to provide significant amounts of parking. And I think it already acknowledged, really, the development actually in that area, in that specific surrounding area's pretty much all developed right now for the most part. And so, I...I'm...yes, in the future, if there was a parking issue or a parking-related issue, I think that's a separate issue to discuss and figure out how to resolve that parking issue. I think we have maybe other areas in Maui County that have parking-related issues that I think deserve maybe some more parking attention, and...and perhaps parking plans, and ideas to come up with. And I think if that were to happen at some time in the future, that we could approach that...I think it would be better to approach that issue at that time. But I don't...I don't see it as an issue right now, especially since the design guidelines and the whole concept of the Business Country Town is really to keep it small, and...and I think it addresses that parking already.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thank you. And you would agree with Dr. Dancil's assessment and Member Johnson's too that what happens in Lānaʻi everybody knows, and so we're not pulling [sic] anything over on them, they all know that we're going to do this?

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MR. PFOST: I...I would...I mean it's Lāna'i Planning Commission that moved forward with this. So, I...I respect them in...in understanding that...that they're...they're moving forward with something that they believe is important. They believe that additional parking spaces are unnecessary, and so that's why they moved forward with this initiation.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thank you. I'm ready.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. I have a question, Dr. Dancil. The decision to make the alley a four-lane alley, where did that come from?

MS. DANCIL: Thank you, Chair Kama. It was initially a four-lane alley, so we just kept it the same.

CHAIR KAMA: So, from the time...the alley was four-lane alley has been...your population's increased, and it's going to increase again. So, did you take into consideration the more...the larger your population, the more people would probably be on island who'd want to participate, and how long it takes to get a lane here on Maui...and we have ten of them...not good ones, but nonetheless. Did you consider those things?

MS. DANCIL: Yes, Chair Kama. Thank you very much. There were some people that...you know, during community meetings and community feedback, some people wanted larger lanes. And taking everything into consideration, the decision was made to stay with the four-lane bowling alley to keep with the character of Dole Park.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Just curious. You want to come over here and do one? . . .*(laughing)*. . . Our disabled community has been asking for one for a long time. I guess we'll just have to send them all to Lāna'i, right, for Dave's spirit. So, thank you. So, Members, I have no other questions either. Yes, Mr. Johnson?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair?

CHAIR KAMA: Oh, yes. I see your hand, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez. Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. And mahalo, Ms. Dancil, for sharing the map of the potential...or planned 21 parking stalls if this doesn't go through. I...I see that there's two areas--area 14...area 1 has the 14 stalls, and then area 2 is...and the 14 stalls currently exist. And in area 2, there are seven stalls that currently don't exist, and is a grassy area. Was...was there any discussion on the seven stalls in area 2 that would be new stalls that, you know, maybe the community wou...would like to see if that area isn't being used for something else, and if it's just like open space?

MS. DANCIL: Thank you for the question, Councilmember Keani Rawlins-Fernandez. So, one clarifying point...in area 1, it's actually only 13. I started off with number 2 because number 1 parking stall is on site, so it's actually parking stalls number 2 through 14. So, there's only 13 in area 1. And in area 2, you are correct, there are seven. Some of the comments made during the Planning Commission meeting, and during small group meetings are, no one's going to park there on those grassy stalls that are going to be reserved for bowling alley patrons. Everybody that's going to be visiting the bowling

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alley will park around Dole Park. However, per Code, we have to provide them. And so, the community just, you know, doesn't even want us to put those grassy stalls there. They can park there today, so we're not...today, they can park there. There's nobody stopping them from parking there today, it's just that we will actually stripe them and mark them for bowling alley patrons only.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, people do park there today?

MS. DANCIL: Yeah. They don't park the way we have it, where you pull in. They actually park parallel on the grass there.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, not as like seven stalls, but less if they're doing parallel parking.

MS. DANCIL: Less if they do parallel parking. And that's only when people would be running into First Hawaiian Bank.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. Okay. That was...I think that was my final question.

MS. DANCIL: Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. So, Members, if we have all exhausted...oh, sorry. If we've all exhausted our questions to our presenters, I'd like to entertain a motion to recommend passage of Bill 21 (2025) on first reading, incorporating nonsubstantive revisions.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: So moved.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Second.

CHAIR KAMA: So, it's been moved by Member Johnson, and seconded by Member Cook. Discussion? Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. I'll be voting in support of the bill. I'm happy that our Code allows for us to support individual islands and communities in their wishes, and Lahaina certainly has its own opposite parking desires than Lānaʻi. So, I'm glad we can specify different areas, different wishes. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Any other discussion, Members? Seeing none. Are we ready to take the vote?

MR. KRUEGER: Chair?

CHAIR KAMA: Yes.

MR. KRUEGER: Apologies to interject, but there is an amendment summary form posted on the agenda.

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CHAIR KAMA: Oh. That's right. That's right. I'm sorry. But I...I...also, Dr. Dancil, are you still with us? I forgot to ask you something. Are you able to send us that...the...the PowerPoint that you just did, the last part of your presentation? Can you send that to us?

MS. DANCIL: I can send the actual...yes. Thank you, Chair Kama. It's actually the approved LPAP --

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

MS. DANCIL: -- the Landscape Planning and Approval Plan, and I can send that to the Committee clerk.

CHAIR KAMA: Yes. Thank you. I appreciate that. So, that's correct. Okay. So, Members, referencing my posted ASF, which incorporates technical and nonsubstantive revisions to the bill, I would like to entertain a motion to substitute Bill 21 with the proposed CD1 version attached to my ASF.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So moved.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Second.

CHAIR KAMA: It's been moved by Vice-Chair [sic] Yuki Lei Sugimura, and seconded by Member [sic] U'u-Hodgins. Discussion?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No discussion, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: None? Okay. Seeing no discussion, so we're going to vote on the ASF. Okay. All...I don't hear a roll call vote. So, all those in favor of the ASF CD1 version, please raise your hand and say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aye.

CHAIR KAMA: Oh, I heard Member Rawlins-Fernandez. I heard nine, zero. Thank you.

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**VOTE:**       **AYES:**   **Chair Kama, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins, and Councilmembers Cook, Johnson, Lee, Paltin, Rawlins-Fernandez, Sinenci, and Sugimura.**

**NOES:**   **None.**

**ABSTAIN:** **None.**

**ABSENT:** **None.**

**EXC.:**   **None.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:**   **APPROVE to substitute Bill 21, CD1 (2025).**

CHAIR KAMA: And now, Members, for the main motion for the passage of Bill 21 with amendments. All those in favor --

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Can I speak to that real quick?

CHAIR KAMA: Yes, by all means.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Just for discussion. Just finally. So, Members, you know, this is a way to keep the character of Lāna‘i City and...and the park. Everyone remembers fondly the old bowling alley, right? Plantation days, they talked about the old bowling alley. To create this bowling alley, and update it, and make it running again is going to bring back...create new memories in a place that has a lot of old memories. And I think that’s good for my community, and I rise in full support. It’s...it’s definitely at...you know, it keeps the character of the Lāna‘i, and I hope...the guys who are going to be serving food in there are the same folks who are serving food at the Lāna‘i City Bar and Grill, which we often go to eat --

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah...yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: -- during budget season.

CHAIR KAMA: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: So, the food is good there, and I hope that the food is good at the bowling alley. And that’s what I look forward to, is...I’m not much of a bowler, but I definitely like to watch them...watch them bowl...balls get rolled down and, you know, have a good meal there and, you know, just meet with the community. And that’s really what it’s about. So, full support. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: You’re welcome. Any other discussion, Members? Member Paltin.

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. And congratulations to Lānaʻi on getting a brand-new bowling alley. I hope you guys invite former Mayor Charmaine Tavares to bowl a couple of rounds over there. And I just wanted to say, last year I had a opportunity to go to Sonoma for their after-the-fire conference, and Lānaʻi set up is really similar to Sonoma, actually. They have a park in the middle, like a big square and all the businesses around there, and then the town radiates out from there. So, I think it's maybe a design of that era or something, but it's really nice. And maybe we need more towns like that, where the park is the central feature. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And parking is the backup feature. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

CHAIR KAMA: Any other discussion? Member Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. Support this, and...and truly, for as many festivals that I've gone to--Pineapple Festival and Festivals of Aloha--events that have hap...it...everything radiates from the center of town. It's good that we're keeping the character of the town. I miss your office being there --

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: -- Gabe. And that was pretty convenient for, I thought, the community to gather. And congratulations. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: You're welcome. Any other discussion? Well, I think your bowling alley's probably going to be your economic engine on Lānaʻi. If we don't get one here, we all going there. Okay. So, all those in favor of passing Bill 21 with amendments, raise your hand, say aye. Aye.

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Aye.

CHAIR KAMA: Oh. I heard that aye. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

CHAIR KAMA: Nine, zero. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

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**VOTE:**       **AYES:**   **Chair Kama, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins, and Councilmembers Cook, Johnson, Lee, Paltin, Rawlins-Fernandez, Sinenci, and Sugimura.**

**NOES:**   **None.**

**ABSTAIN:**   **None.**

**ABSENT:**   **None.**

**EXC.:**   **None.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:**   **Recommending FIRST READING of Bill 21, CD1 (2025).**

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. So, Members...look at that. So, I think what we’re going to do is...okay. *(pause)* Wow. We’re done...I mean we’re done with this item. So, we defer, right? No, no need?

MR. KRUEGER: Chair, no further action is necessary. So, the Committee’s...move its recommendation forward.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Thank you.

**BILL 78 (2025), CHANGE IN ZONING FROM AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO R-2 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT FOR PROPERTY SITUATED AT 1550 NUKUNA PLACE, WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAI‘I (HLU-7)**

CHAIR KAMA: So, Members, we have one more item on our agenda, it’s HLU-7. But it’s 10:00. Why don’t we take a ten-minute break, and come back and finish our last agenda item. Good? So, it’s now 10:06, and our break is until 10:16 a.m. Break. . .*(gavel)*. . .

**RECESS:**       10:06 a.m.

**RECONVENE:**   10:21 a.m.

CHAIR KAMA: . . .*(gavel)*. . . The Housing and Land Use Committee meeting of September 3rd, 2025, will now reconvene at 10:21 a.m. Members, our next item is Bill 78 (2025), to Change the Zoning from Agricultural District to R-2 Residential District for 0.7099 acres at 1550 Nukuna Place, Wailuku. The property has a community plan designation of single-family, so the change would conform the property’s zoning with its community plan designation. I’ve invited the applicant, Dr. Robyn Garner, to join us and assist us with our meeting today. If there are no objections, I will designate Dr. Garner as a resource person under Rule 18(A) of the Rules of the Council because

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of the expertise she has and possesses on the property, and the requested Change in Zoning.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Also assisting us today is Aliko Biniaris, a Planner V from the Department of Planning, and Paul Barany, Deputy Director of Public Works. So, I'm going to ask for a brief presentation from Dr. Garner first, and then we'll ask opening comments from the Administration after. *(pause)*

MS. GARNER: Good morning, Chair Kama, and Members of the Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today. Before I begin, I'd also like to specifically thank Aliko here for sticking with me through this very long journey. She's done a marvelous job keeping this moving. I am Dr. Robyn Garner from Waikapū, and I am here today to request your support for rezoning our family property from Agriculture to R-2 Residential. My family has lived in this area for about 150 years. My grandfather worked for the plantation as the irrigation luna, which allowed him and my grandmother to expand the property and build three of the four homes that stand on this parcel. He also cared for the kuleana water that comes to sustain the land here, and shared its abundance with neighbors and temples. Both of my parents raised me on this property. After my father passed away in a plane crash on Moloka'i, my mother, who also worked for the County of Maui, kept our family together. Years later, as my grandmother grew older and my mother's responsibilities increased, the upkeep of the property became difficult for her to manage. So, while I was serving in the Navy, we began the renovation process to make the home safer for my mother and grandmother. Returning home, one of my main goals was to complete that work so that they would have a secure place to live. Sadly, they both passed away before it could be finished. But as the next generation, I am continuing the work of restoring this place, bringing back the kuleana water, caring for the land, and providing three long-term rentals for Maui residents. The property has long been used for housing, and the Wailuku/Kahului Community Plan already designates it as single-family Residential. Rezoning simply brings the zoning into line with the plan as its actual use. There are no new impacts--traffic, water, sewage, and solid waste will remain unchanged. There are no sensitive sites. We have also spoken with our neighbors, and no one raised objections...several actually welcomed the improvements. This request is to...is consistent with County policy, matches the community plan, has no community opposition, and supports local families with safe long-term housing. We respectfully ask for your support in passing Bill 78. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. And Members, this can be found on Granicus number 3. So, we're going to go and ask the Department of Planning, Aliko Biniaris, for her comments, please?

MS. BINIARIS: Hello. Yasas, Councilmembers. So, as it's mentioned before, this will just bring it into conformance with the community plan. So, we are in support. The Maui Planning Commission is also in support, and has recommended approval, subject to no conditions. Thank you.

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CHAIR KAMA: Is Paul Barany on the line? Mr. Barany, Public Works? Hi.

MR. BARANY: Yes. Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Do you have any comments on today's Bill 78?

MR. BARANY: Nothing other than to echo the Planning Department's support of this bill.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Thank you very much.

**. . . BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ITEM HLU-7 . . .**

CHAIR KAMA: Do we have any testifiers?

MS. MCKINLEY: Chair, no one has currently signed up to testify. Would you like us to do a last call?

CHAIR KAMA: Please.

MS. MCKINLEY: If anyone would like to testify, please come up to the podium or raise your hand on Teams. The countdown is three, two, one. Seeing none. Chair, no one has indicated that they would like to testify on this item.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Members, seeing that there are no individuals wishing to testify, without objection, I would like to close oral testimony. And as a reminder, written testimony will continue to be accepted into the record.

COUNCILMEMBERS: No objections.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you, Members.

**. . . CLOSE PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ITEM HLU-7 . . .**

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. If you all would indulge me, I'd like to begin our discussion with Chair Lee, seeing as how she is from the District.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Thank you. Dr. Garner, are you neighbors with the Pelegrinos? You are. Oh, okay. *(pause)*

MS. GARNER: Yes. We're a couple blocks down from them.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. And did your dad work for the County?

MS. GARNER: I believe as a Chairman, Council Chairman.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Council Chairman?

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MS. GARNER: I think so.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: What was his name?

MS. GARNER: I'm sorry, I'm very young. Robert McCarthy.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Oh. Yeah. Cynthia's your mom?

MS. GARNER: Yes. Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Yeah. Cynthia use to work for me in Housing.

MS. GARNER: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Ah. Of course, I support you and your family.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

MS. GARNER: Thank you very much. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: And you have good neighbors.

MS. GARNER: I do. Very good neighbors. Yeah.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: Okay. Well, good luck to you. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. We're on a roll here, so let's go to Member Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So, it speaks volumes that you had no opposition going through the Planning Commission. It must have been a fast meeting for them also, I would imagine. And sounds like you come from good blood with confirmation from our Chair, you know, what she just said. But I have one question, is that, you're not planning on doing short-term vacation rentals, it seems to be a hot issue amongst us.

MS. GARNER: Oh, yes. No. No, these are...these are long-term rentals. That's how my grandfather built them, and we plan to keep them that way.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. Done. I approve. Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Member Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Dr. Garner. Thank you, Chair. Is this property in the SMA? No. Okay. And what is the square footage of the property?

CHAIR KAMA: Point...0.779 [sic].

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COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh. And what would be the max build out for R-2 with .779 [sic]? Is it max built already, or could be developed more?

MS. BINIARIS: Thank you, Councilmember. So, the max build-out would be four dwellings and eight accessory dwelling units in R-2. This is contingent, of course, on a...other requirements being met, like access to...that's if the property were subdivided, the potential build-out would be that, but you'd have to have access, you'd have to go through Fire, there are other requirements that do need to be met before that could be done.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. And is there currently Ag on the property?

MS. GARNER: There's currently not Ag on the property.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. And if you don't mind sharing with us when you started, and when it got to the Planning Commission, and then...yeah, how long?

MS. GARNER: So, for the first three renovations, two of which are complete and the third is underway, we started...we dropped the plans at the Planning Department in 2020.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: To change the zoning.

MS. GARNER: No. To just renovate the three back units because it didn't require a change in zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh. I just wanted to know how long the change in zoning process.

MS. GARNER: The change in zoning came a year later. After we submitted those plans and we found out that in order to bring my grandmother's house into compliance, a change of zoning was required.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: So, to get to this point has taken you about four years?

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And you never thought to ask your...our friend over here to help you, Council-initiated change in zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: I have no influence.

MS. GARNER: . . .(laughing). . . I...I decided to take up the process at the lowest level possible, so work directly with the Planning Department.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Maybe at some point you'd...you'd like to come and share your experiences with our TIG because we...we...we do want to know how the process can be streamlined and improved. But no pressure, it's not quid pro quo. My vote today is not contingent on your advisement of us.

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UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

MS. GARNER: Thank you. Yes, I'm actually very opinionated person, so I'd be happy to share.  
. . .*(laughing)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Perfect. Is it going to change the taxation at all if we do this?

MS. GARNER: No. It's...we're actually already being charged as a residential area.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh. Okay. And then . . .*(timer sounds)*. . . that's my time. Thank you.

MS. GARNER: Thank you.

CHAIR KAMA: Member Johnson.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I...one of my...well, sev...several of my questions already been asked and answered, but I...just to follow up, you said you are already being taxed as a Residential, but you're zoned Ag? How...can you explain that a little bit?

MS. GARNER: Correct. We're actually sub-Ag.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Oh.

MS. GARNER: We're under the actual Ag designation, and since the community and lots there are so small, and we've gone from...I believe my address was RR1 at one point. As it slowly changed its process, the taxation was also changed. I know...Alik, you probably have more insight than I do.

MS. BINIARIS: Your standard Ag lot is two acres.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: Hmm.

MS. GARNER: We're only...we're less than one acre.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: You're under that.

MS. GARNER: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON: I see. Okay. Thank you for that clarification. I have no further questions. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Member Keani Rawlins-Fernandez?

COUNCILMEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I don't have any further questions. I'm supportive.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Member Cook?

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COUNCILMEMBER COOK: I don't have any questions. I'm supportive. It...it seems like this is an example of where potentially the Planning Department could point out similar properties that would make residential homes available, and not have put the owners through four years of, you know --

CHAIR KAMA: . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: -- doing the system if it's a...if it fits the criteria to be Residential. I know it's an older property, it could potentially help us with our housing issue. Thank you. I'm supportive.

CHAIR KAMA: Thank you. Member U'u-Hodgins?

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Thank you, Chair. And thank you for being with us. Did you say that this was triggered because you were trying to bring your grandmother's house into compliance?

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: In compliance with what? What...were you doing renovations on it?

MS. GARNER: Yes. We haven't started yet, the permit for that one is...is pending confirmation of this rezoning. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: And it's...and it's been four years?

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: And we're here today. Are we your last stop?

MS. GARNER: Yes. . . .*(inaudible)*. . .

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Okay, good. Good. I see that you guys have cesspools, do you have to do septic?

MS. GARNER: We don't have to do septic because the reser...renovations right now, and we're grandfathered in for them. However, my understanding is that there's supposed to be a sewage line that's coming through the town by 2030 --

CHAIR KAMA: Oh, yeah.

MS. GARNER: -- and then we'll be required to connect to that.

VICE-CHAIR U'U-HODGINS: Okay. So, at that time, you'll do that?

MS. GARNER: Yes.

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VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: I really have no other questions, other than to echo what Member Paltin said, and maybe we can hear your opinions on some of your experiences. Because I saw that it went from 2021 to 2023 from the time you filed, and that your neighbors know to the time you got to the Planning Commission.

CHAIR KAMA: Uh-huh.

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: So, those two years must have been a long two years, which is obviously adding to your cost of your build-out...or...well, rather, your grandmother’s renovation.

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma’am.

VICE-CHAIR U‘U-HODGINS: Happy to support. Sorry it took so long. Thank you for being with us.

CHAIR KAMA: Member Sinenci?

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo, Chair. Just following up on some other questions. Would...so, the surrounding lots are...are still Agriculture; do you know?

MS. GARNER: Most of them are all sub-Ag, except in the image I posted for the slide, there’s going to be a house to the north of us that’s slightly blue, and it looks like it has three things. They have successfully moved to R-2...I think its R-2 zoning, also Residential zoning.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay. And then you mentioned that you’ve got the, I guess, approval from your neighbors.

MS. GARNER: Yes. In fact, that...

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: All right.

MS. GARNER: Yeah. In fact, that blue house actually called me up and say, hey, what are you doing?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: . . .*(laughing)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Okay. Thank you.

MS. GARNER: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR KAMA: Okay. Is there anyone that needs a round two? Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. Do you live on this property?

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MS. GARNER: I do, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: And do you have any idea the total cost of this change in zoning to you?

MS. GARNER: As in with the...the permit...waiting for the permit to get through, and then doing the renovations, and...and whatnot?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Not necessarily the renovations, but just to change the zoning from Agriculture. Because I think if its --

CHAIR KAMA: The filing fees?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: -- a new initiated thing, there is the requirement of like a mailer within...which you already did.

MS. GARNER: Uh-huh.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: There's a cost to that, and like that. And I mean if you knew of the opportunity for a Council-initiated change in zoning and just decided not to do that?

MS. GARNER: So, I think...if I'm correct, it's...it's costs upwards of about \$6,000 to do this. It's about \$2,000 to initiate the rezoning, there's a...currently, with the newspaper system that we have, it's about \$2,000 to print the rezoning in there. It's another \$6 to \$800 to notify your neighbors--we don't have that many neighbors luckily in the 500-area radius--but for those that have a dense neighborhood, that's probably going to be much higher. That is just the fees to go through this process.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: About 6,000.

MS. GARNER: About 6,000.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh.

MS. GARNER: And unfortunately, the County had to pay for one of the advertisements because we had placed it, and it had to be re-placed.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Not to bum your trip, but I...I did Grace Baptist Church change in zoning in about six months. And...and I'm going to try and do Lahaina United Methodist in the same. So, if it's like a thing that makes sense, if...if your Council District represent [sic] willing, that's an option as well.

MS. GARNER: . . .(laughing). . . Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Because we represent everybody, but the person that lives in your district that's your Councilmember isn't willing, you can ask anybody.

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CHAIR KAMA: Yes...yes, Chair Lee. Say yes. . . .*(laughing)*. . .

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: No, no. I think...thank you. I think the person on the Council who has the expertise to do...and that has the skills should be the person to ask. You know, I have to say this. Remember--was it you that called me three years ago, four years ago, when your mom was dying in the hospital?

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: And I...you asked me to help you --

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- visit, but this was during COVID.

MS. GARNER: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: And I couldn't help. I just...they...they wouldn't accept me begging, nor did they accept Mayor Victorino. We both tried. I think you know that --

MS. GARNER: Yes, ma'am. For real.

COUNCILMEMBER LEE: -- yeah? So...so, I'm telling you, she's probably the better person to ask because she has...she's done it before. I haven't really done it...I can help...you know, I can help her. Okay.

MS. GARNER: Thank you. Thank you very much.

CHAIR KAMA: So, I...Members, if there are no more questions, and you feel comfortable. Okay. So, at this time, the Chair would like to entertain a motion to--oh, here it is, sorry--recommend passage of Bill 78 (2025) on first reading, incorporating nonsubstantive revisions.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: So moved.

COUNCILMEMBER COOK: Second.

CHAIR KAMA: So, it's been moved by Member Sugimura, second by Member Cook. Discussion? No discussion? Well, thank you very much. If there's no other discussion, let's take the vote. All those in favor of passage of Bill 78 on first reading, raise your hand, say "aye."

COUNCILMEMBERS: Aye.

CHAIR KAMA: I heard that aye out there. Thank you very much. Okay, I saw nine, zero. Okay. So, thank you.

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**VOTE:**       **AYES:**   **Chair Kama, Vice-Chair U‘u-Hodgins, and Councilmembers Cook, Johnson, Lee, Paltin, Rawlins-Fernandez, Sinenci, and Sugimura.**

**NOES:**    **None.**

**ABSTAIN:**   **None.**

**ABSENT:**    **None.**

**EXC.:**     **None.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**ACTION:**    **Recommending FIRST READING of Bill 78, CD1 (2025).**

CHAIR KAMA: So, Members, there’s no other business before the Committee. You all should commend yourself. This is the first time--yes, do that, Gabe, to everybody--it’s not even 11:00, and a HLU meeting is adjourned at 10:41 a.m. . . .(*gavel*). . .

**ADJOURN:**   10:41 a.m.

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CERTIFICATION

I, Cheryl von Kugler, hereby certify that pages 1 through 36 of the foregoing represents, to the best of my ability, a true and correct transcript of the proceedings. I further certify that I am not in any way concerned with the cause.

DATED the 24th day of September 2025, in Wailuku, Hawai'i



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Cheryl von Kugler