

LU Committee

From: Dave Thomas <dave@maui-tv.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 12:01 PM
To: LU Committee
Subject: Kaiwahine Village Hearing Testimony 2/14/18

Aloha Land Use Committee Members,

I'm sorry I'm unable to present this testimony in person.

Over the past several years I have dozens of emails regarding this, have attended council hearings and Kihei Community Association meetings, and even met with Council Members at the site of the project. I don't want to detail this now, but instead just give you my opinion and that of my neighbors.

I have lived on Kaiwahine Street for 31 years. While I support the need for affordable housing, I am totally opposed to any kind of further development without another way in and out. The intersection at Kaiwahine and Piilani was designed to accommodate 300 single family homes, and so was Kaiwahine Street. The new Kamalani development at the intersection is adding 600 new homes, and Kaiwahine Village would add 120 more.

It is irresponsible and unsafe to allow any more vehicles on Kaiwahine Street, and the side streets are not wide enough to handle the overflow.

The 2/14 meeting agenda states "**The Committee may also review the project timeline and deadlines set forth by Resolution 16-32.**" This Resolution giving the 2 year extension clearly stipulates "**That construction of the project shall begin by March 18, 2018.**"

According to a Maui News article 3/5/16, at the Council Meeting 3/4 where 16-32 was approved at a meeting, Council Member Victorino said "**If they don't act on this now, forget it, we're not going to be bothered ever considering it again.**" Also "**An amendment to the resolution that no further time extensions shall be considered or granted, proposed by Council Member Don Couch, was unanimously approved.**"

It is clear that this matter has already been settled by the Council 2 years ago on a project the Council "fast tracked" 7 years ago. I urge the Committee and the Council as a whole to do the right thing and stand up to enforce your own rules.

Finally, our street has never been repaved in 31 years. It is dangerous in spots and way over due. Waiting several more years for this or any project to be completed is unacceptable.

Mahalo,

Dave Thomas