

## PSLU Committee

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**To:** PSLU Committee  
**Subject:** Support for Advisory Committees to the Maui Planning Commission

Hi,

My name is Andrea Kealoha. I am from Paia, Maui, hold a PhD in Oceanography, and am faculty at UH Maui College. I am writing in strong support of the bill to designate community advisory committees to the Maui Planning Commission. The bill requires that committee members have multi-generational connections to the town, have strong educational backgrounds, and come from a diverse (e.g., age, gender, heritage) group. These are the voices that represent our communities, and they should be directly involved in community planning efforts. I encourage the PSLU committee to move the bill forward as soon as possible.

Aloha  
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