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Aloha Chair Hokama and Councilmembers.

I thank you for holding this forum and allowing the public the opportunity to speak.

The Banyan Tree Park has had long standing issues dating back to when it first began.

Basically the Banyan Tree and the Courthouse have been turned into a Cash Cow.... Only certain people have access to the revenues that are generated because of the past granting of exclusive leases and permits by the powers that be.

As a result the lease and or permit is being used as a way to punish or reward vendors who stand to gain or lose substantial revenues. All the while excluding many other organizations.

I do not believe that granting a 10 year lease to Lahaina Restoration Foundation also known as LRF will resolve any of these issues.

As long as the County and or State allows the Courthouse and the Banyan Tree Park to be used as income generators for only the favored few the issue will never be resolved.

Does anyone even know what revenues are generated by the vendors the leaseholders or permittees? Perhaps before moving forward these revenues need to be looked into along with implementing a fairer process for All.

Therefore as I see it the Banyan Tree needs to either be opened up to a Fair process so that all groups/non profits and people may benefit from the revenues or simply be shut down and utilized as the Historical Park that it currently is.

Thank You

Evelyn Goo