

EDB Committee

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Subject: Testimony Wailuku Civic Complex (EDB-76)

Aloha –

I support passage of the revised proposed bills noted in paragraphs 2(a), (b), and (c), , and the proposed bill noted in paragraph 2(d) .

I do not support either the expenditure of \$84 million dollars on the Wailuku Complex, nor the currently proposed design of the complex. The project is too large scale for the heart of Wailuku and seems to serve the interests of real estate investors rather than the interests of our community. While I support the improvements of some Wailuku infrastructure that is long overdue, I only support it to the extent it is needed to support existing residents and businesses,. I do not support infrastructure expenditures for the purpose of future development in the area without further vetting of projects from the community.

I believe it would be fiscally irresponsible for the County to spend \$84 million on a parking garage when we are in the midst of a crisis of homelessness due to lack of affordable housing. There are so many things the County claims it cannot afford, including adequate treatment of sewage for existing residents, so how can you even consider such a huge expenditure on a project that is unwanted by many and really only serves the interest of a few wealthy property owners?

Mahalo

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