

AH Committee

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To: AH Committee
Subject: Affordable Housing Projects (Chapter 201H, Hawaii Revised Statutes) (Independent Development of the Makila Farms Project (Lahaina)) Agenda Item AH-1 (3)

Tasha Kama, Chair – Housing Committee
Maui County Council
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RE: Support Makila Farms AH-1 (3)

Dear Tasha Kama, Chair - Housing Committee

Aloha my name is Shantal Paresa. I am a native resident here on Maui. My Ohana has lived on Maui for many, many generations.

My dad and I have a construction business called Maui Pool Masters. We build swimming pools, spas and do lots of concrete work. This is a family ran business and 3 of my siblings also work for us as well.

Majority of our work comes from Lahaina higher end homes such as Launiupoko, Wailea, Kaanapali Coffee Farms and Kapalua to name a few. Although we are very grateful for the work, we know we would never be able to afford a home in these areas or honestly MAUI in general. Sad to say even though we are local residence the prices of homes and land have made this impossible.

Makila Farms project (and hopefully many others to come) would give us the opportunity to live on agriculture land where we can have farms, grow our own food and be able to raise our keiki close to the ocean and mountain like we all dream of.

We need this project and many others like this to go through. It is our only opportunity. If not people from the mainland will continue to come in and the price of homes and land will continue to sky rocket. I have read the details about this project and this developer has worked with the community and done such a great job solving any issues which may be against this.

I am personally familiar with Brown Development as we have built many pools for them before. They are a solid company who gives opportunity to local companies and natives like myself. I believe they will and can get this done. I am eternally grateful for them stepping up and giving us locals a chance at better living!

Mahalo for your time!
Shantal Paresa