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Dear Chair Sugimura,

The original of the attached HHFDC responses to questions posed in your letter dated 3/19/19 (MT-9) is in the mail, fyi.

Thanks.

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April 4, 2019

Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair
Multimodal Transportation Committee
County Council
County of Maui
200 S. High Street
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii 96793

Dear Councilmember Sugimura:

Subject: Kahului Civic Center Mixed-Use Project/
Central Maui Transit Hub (MT-9)

The Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) acknowledges receipt of your letter dated March 19, 2019 posing three questions regarding the above subject Central Maui Transit Hub at the Kahului Civic Center Mixed-Use Project at 153 West Kaahumanu Avenue in Kahului, Maui, Hawaii.

HHFDC's responses follow each question in bold as follows:

1. Please provide a summary of the Kahului Civic Center mixed-use housing project, including the number of units that will be constructed.

Response: HHFDC has retained G70 as its community planning consultant to complete the site investigation, master planning, and entitlement approvals of the Kahului Civic Center property at 153 West Kaahumanu Avenue in Kahului (Kahului Property) and the County's Wailuku property at 70 South High Street in Wailuku (Wailuku Property). Concept master plans including the number of units for the Kahului or the Wailuku Properties are underway and not yet completed.

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2. Does HHFDC have a timeline for the project, from the start of construction through the date units will be available for sale or rent? If so, please provide it. If not, please describe.

Response: HHFDC does not have a timeline for the development of the Kahului Property. G70 is awaiting program requirements from the Department of Accounting and General Services and because of the priority of the Central Maui Bus Hub, the master planning of the Kahului Property will follow the completion of the Environmental Assessment of the Transit Hub.

3. Is any funding from the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund (DURF) being used for the project? If so, can any of that funding be used for surrounding infrastructure improvements, including the Central Maui Transit Hub?

Response: On June 14, 2018, the HHFDC Board of Directors approved \$1.5 million in DURF funding for the site investigation, master planning and entitlement approvals for the Kahului and Wailuku Properties. On September 13, 2018, the HHFDC Board approved a \$2 million DURF interim loan to the developer of the Kahului Lani affordable senior project for the design and construction of Vevau Street improvements adjacent to the Central Maui Transit Hub and between the Kahului Property and the Kahului Lani affordable senior project. Aside for these purposes, the approved DURF funding cannot be used for the Central Maui Transit Hub. Please note, however, that in addition to these DURF funds, H.B. No. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1 of the 2018 State of Hawaii Legislature, now Act 53 Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, appropriated \$2.5 million of Capital Improvement Program funds to HHFDC for the New Maui Bus Hub.

Should there be any further questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact me at 587-0641.

Sincerely,



Craig K. Hirai
Executive Director