

AH Committee

From: Patricia Kahahane <pmkahahane@gmail.com>
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To: AH Committee
Subject: Polanui Gardens and Makila Rural East

Aloha Committee Members,

Thank you for your time and hard work considering a very controversial proposal.

I moved to Maui in 1980 and bought my first home in 1986, affordable housing in Napili, Hale Noho. It was a wonderful neighborhood of long time West Maui residents. My husband and I sold that home in 1999 because our children were attending Kamehameha Schools in Pukalani. We bought a lot in Mahanalua Nui (Launiupoko) and built our home in 1999-2000 doing most of the building and all of the landscaping ourselves.

I am in support of these projects that will provide affordable to homes to West Maui residents IF the county counsel does everything legally possible to insure these homes are for current long time West Maui residents or long time West Maui residents who've had to move away and would like to come home.

I'm ashamed of some of my neighbors who have expressed a "not in my backyard" opinion regarding affordable homes. I love living in Launiupoko and I don't imagine I would love in any less if there were affordable homes built close by.

If the committee members are not convinced that this housing proposal is a good fit for West Maui I would like to urge you to continue to negotiate with the developers to reach a satisfactory middle ground. I would be happy to see friends and coworkers have the same life changing opportunity I experienced when I bought my affordable home.

Thank you again for your time spent working for the citizens of Maui,

Patty Kahahane