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Development

Conversation between you and Jeff Gordon, Launiupoko



Suzanne Albers, Launiupoko

Aloha,

My husband and I are retired and live full time in a 1000 foot cottage in Launiupoko. I was a teacher for 32 years and he was a homebuilder and is a Vietnam Vet. We have lived in Launiupoko for 10 years.

It was a 15 year dream to build our cottage and live here full-time and it is our only home. We had to sell another home to achieve this dream.

When we lived here in Launiupoko as long term renters, we had negative experiences with STVR mansions near us...8 to 10 people in 4 bedroom houses with pools and jacuzzi who party loudly at all hours of the day and night...The owners of these large homes are charging approx \$2000 per night, or more... hence the large number of weekly vacation renters.

Greed is the motivator.

No one wants to live next to that type of rental. It was a nightmare.

The proposed development of 97 acres below our neighborhood is also motivated by GREED.

If the plan was to build ONLY 50 truly affordable homes that didn't have a 5 or 10 year limit on their value and also included a very large park, people would probably agree to it. But it comes with strings attached...100 or more Market value priced homes. That means multimillion dollar homes for off island investors.

There are many valid reasons why people are so opposed to this:

The fast tracking...

No environmental impact study required

THE WATER CRISIS...and there IS one no matter what the people who work with the developers say. SHOW ME THE WATER doesn't mean there's probably millions of gallons of water underground...They can't prove it, but it's there...Do they have x-ray vision? SMTW means the water is available NOW, and it isn't because we were told that the reservoirs are dry...Ag water for most homes was turned off for 4 to 6 days in a row a couple of weeks ago. And it happens frequently. Fire prone area...It is a very dry box canyon with one way out and is a safety issue. This neighborhood is noted for frequent off shore winds sometimes reaching 70 mph.

Close proximity to the shoreline...One half mile to one mile from the beach is where the proposed 100 to 200 homes would be constructed...Our coral reefs will be destroyed with the offshore winds blowing dirt and dust into the ocean for the duration of the building...2 years? 3 years? Dust fences are a joke...And what about the runoff added to that? Most people value the quality of our ocean water...That's why the tourist come here.

Traffic....It is getting worse. There should be a moratorium on all large construction projects until the northern corridor of the bypass is completed. The Pali is a bottleneck.

What would make sense is to build AH in appropriate areas on the west side for ONLY the people that have jobs on the west side so traffic could be reduced.

We do not need more multimillions dollar homes that only offshore investors can afford as second or third homes.

We need to provide housing for the people who contribute most to our community: The workforce, the Hawaiians, teachers, firefighters, small business owners, tourist industry people, etc.

It only makes sense....that's why the PONO thing won't happen unless people WAKE UP and stop giving in to GREED.

This is and ISLAND that needs to be protected...We do not want another Honolulu !

Aloha, Suzanne Albers...a person who cares about our island... the land and the sea environment.

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