EDB Committee EDB-16

From:

Kelly King

Sent:

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 8:37 AM

To:

EDB Committee

Subject:

FW: Please vote NO to defunding Wailuku infrastructure improvements

With Aloha,

Office of Council Chair Kelly T. King South Maui Residency Office: 808.270.7108 200 South High Street, 7th Fl Wailuku HI 96793 mauicounty.us

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From: turtle8dove <terrierwin@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 9:24 PM To: Kelly King <Kelly.King@mauicounty.us>

Subject: Please vote NO to defunding Wailuku infrastructure improvements

Dear Chair King:

I respectfully urge you to vote NO on defunding the parking structure that is Part 1B of improvements to the downtown Wailuku area.

I testified to the importance of this project at last week's hearing—for a second time in six months, closing my business during work hours in order to speak on behalf of myself and other small business owners I've spoken with who know from hard experience the struggle it is to earn a living in Wailuku. I've lost count of the small businesses I've seen come and go since I first opened in 2012 on Church Street.

A vote to defund may very well be the nail in the coffin on hopes for Wailuku's "comeback," which has been the tantalizing vision, just over the horizon, for the entire 7 years of my business life.

Defunding is UNPRECEDENTED.

It is also a clear STATEMENT against the dreams and plans and groundwork laid by so many community members who have held out such hope for a thriving Wailuku.

Please vote NO to defunding critical parking infrastructure in Wailuku.

Thank you,
Terri Erwin
Owner, Perfection Bra Fitting Salon, Central Ave

Sent from my iPhone