

Thursday, November 07, 2013

State of Hawaii
Land Use Commission


Since 1986, many of us longtime fisherman living in the Ko'olau loa district have supported the Turtle Bay Resort's (TBR) project. Our support is based on TBR's commitment to "increased and improved shoreline access, each with public services at no cost to us", "proposed increased setbacks from the shoreline" and involvement in managing the fishing areas so they are not over fished.

We fish mainly to put food on the table for family and neighbors as part of our livelihood and cultural traditions. Making ends meet for most us means having a good day job plus things like sustenance fishing and farming.

Access and protection of the fishing grounds is important for survival and we believe we can work with Turtle Bay Resort Owners to accomplish our desire to improve these fishing areas.

We are opposed to the motion to down-zone Turtle Bays property. To say that they have done nothing over the years is totally untrue. They have provided many benefits for the communities, and their future plans will continue to do so. Your support for our opposition to the down-zoning will be appreciated.

Mahalo,



Simplicio Caban
2nd Generation, life-time Kahuku Resident


Dino Vendiola
50 year Kahuku Resident

John Goshi
30+ years Kahuku Resident



Chuck Solomon
Born and Raised in La'ie, 30+ years Kahuku Resident



David Sato
2nd Generation, life-time Kahuku Resident

Aloha Commissioners:

First of all, I want to say that I oppose the petition to reclassify Kuliima Development's lands in Kahuku.

As a career construction industry worker for over thirty plus years, many of us rural Ko'olauloa/North Shore residents have had to endure years of commuting island wide to wherever the jobs were. Windward long term construction jobs are almost non-existing. We are now anticipating a regional development proposal that would surely, in my opinion provide us construction workers the real opportunity for jobs closer to home for many years to come.

My name is Detrick Abraham, I was born and raised in Hau'ula, Ko'olauloa. Over the years I have been involved in community and area-wide organizations and activities such as pop-warner football, athletic fund-raising projects, surf related activities, etc. My community civic and political participation was very limited mainly because of the time consuming youth related commitments.

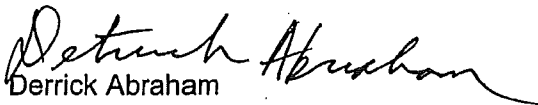
Now however, I feel it is important that I make known my support for Turtle Bay's revised and reduced development project proposal. I know enough about this project past and present to make my positive support decision. We need construction jobs in the region now.

I also know of the many community benefits this development offers. Affordable housing, parks, open space, shoreline access, agricultural farms, highway improvements, and many other benefits at no cost to the general public. As mentioned earlier, as a construction worker the most welcomed benefit is the localized jobs that will happen, not only in my line of work but many of the non-construction jobs.

As life-long construction workers, myself, my family, my friends, my neighbors, and many other Ko'olauloa/North Shore construction workers, our greatest desire is the long term construction jobs this development will offer. For me personally, the opportunity to close out my construction career close to home would be greatly appreciated.

To help us eliminate the wasteful time consuming commute to out of region jobs, the loss of valuable family time, the substantial economic burden (gas, maintenance of our cars) and the overall physical and mental stress of long distances, we humbly ask for your support for this development plan by voting no on this motion.

Mahalo,



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Aloha Commissioners:

I am submitting this testimony in opposition to the motion to reclassify Kuilima Development Company's property.

My name is Joseph Kalili and I am a lifelong resident of Hauula, Koolauloa District. I am currently employed with the City/County Maintenance Department located in Laie. I am very fortunate because not only was I born and raised in the country, but I also am blessed to able to work in my community.

Throughout the years I have participated, and been actively involved, in many organizations that I felt were important as my way of contributing to the well-being of my community. These include Hauula Community Association, Social organizations, and Youth Recreational Activities. I was also a long-time board member for the Kahuku Elderly Housing project. I have and continue to support economic/employment efforts that will provide jobs, now and in the future.

I am currently a member of the reorganized Kuilima/North Shore Strategy Planning Committee. The original planning forum has been inactive a number of years. Now, with the new ownership's renewed recognition, acknowledgement, and commitment this committee has been reorganized to again participate in the planning activities of the new owner's revised and scaled-down project expansion proposal is to also plan, monitor and implement those community entitlements as agreed in the unilateral agreement of the city/county of Honolulu.

This revised plan offers reduced resort units, 12 public accesses to the shoreline, minimum shoreline setbacks, 5 public parks, 160 affordable housing units, preservation of mauka agricultural lands, and establishing a 100 acre marsh wildlife preserve. These are among many other positive aspects of the development. I want to point out that the cost of these public benefits will be assumed by the Turtle Bay Developer.

Out of all of this the most important benefit for regional communities is the future jobs and the economic opportunities this project will offer. For without jobs, now and in the future the survivability and sustainability of our community will definitely be a disadvantage.

Communities such as Kapolei, Mililani, Ewa, the Leeward Coast, and even the urban core of Honolulu (Kakaako) are actively planning for their future well-being, we too, want realistic sustainable future opportunities and this long awaited expansion will definitely contribute to that goal.

We respectfully ask for your support to vote no on the motion before you.

Mahalo,

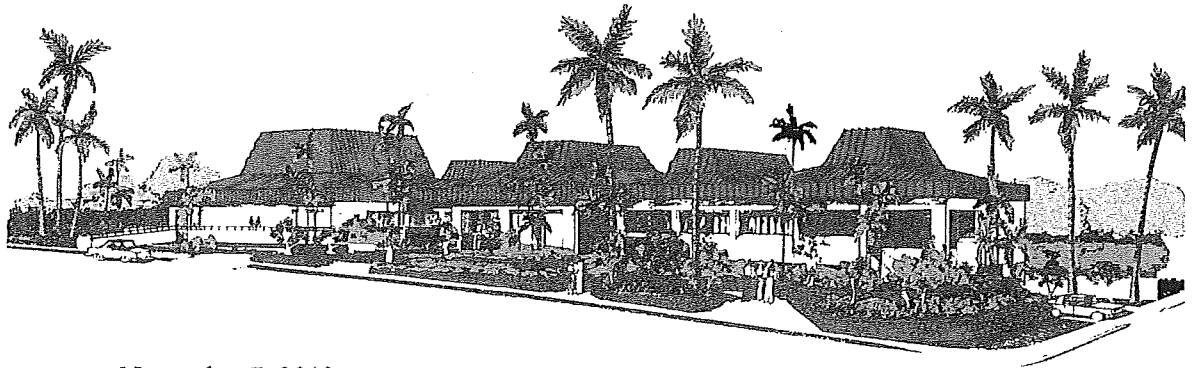


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Mr. Kyle Chock, Chairman, Land Use Commission
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Re: Agenda Item IV. Action: Kuilima Development Company
LUC meeting November 8, 2013, 8:30 a.m.

Dear Chairman Chock and Members of the Commission:

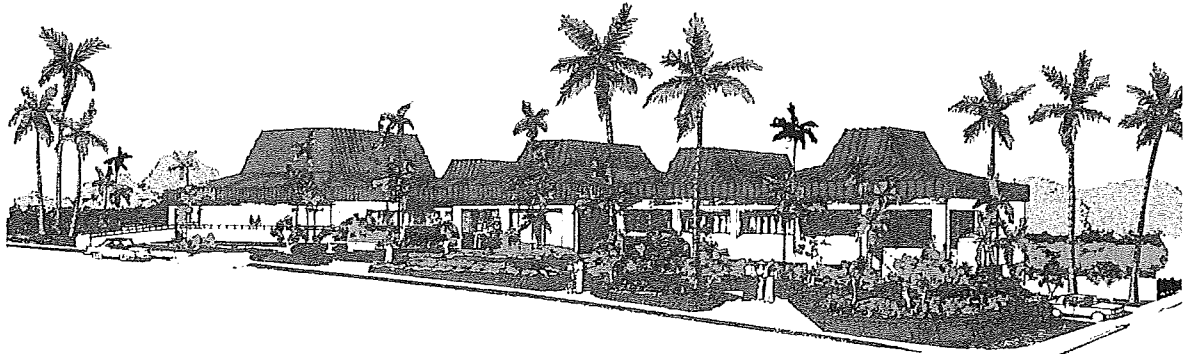
The Hawaii Laborers' Union has reviewed the Defend Oahu Coalition reply memorandum in support of renewed motion for issuance of an Order to Show Cause (OSC) why the boundary reclassification should not be revoked for failure to perform conditions, representations and commitments. We have also reviewed the Office of State Planning submittal and comments on the OSC; the LUC Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law Decision & Order of March 27, 1986; and the Kuilima Development Company response of August 22, 2013 on this issue.

We strongly **oppose** the Defend Oahu Coalition effort to have a renewed Motion for an Issuance of Order to Show Cause for the following reasons:

1. The State Office of Planning (OSP) submitted its response to deny the Motion by Defend Oahu Coalition.
 - a. The OSP indicated that, "No explicit condition has been violated and the boundary amendment approved in 1986 was without 'time performance' or 'compliance with representation requirements'".
 - b. The OSP further believed that, "Once that reclassification decision has been made, however, a request to participate years after the reclassification decision from a new entity which did not participate in the initial proceeding should require more justification".



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2. The LUC Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law Decision & Order on March 27, 1985 in Docket No. A85-595 which approved reclassification contained nine (9) conditions. These conditions have been met.
3. The Defend Oahu Coalition has no standing to seek an Order to Show Cause in this case under HAR15-15-93. It does not have property interest in the land or able to demonstrate that they will be directly and immediately affected. No member of the Coalition lives on the property
4. The LUC may not enforce a condition that is not expressly stated. A reading to the D&O indicates that the Kuilima Development Company is not required to complete the conditions within a specified time period.
5. Statutory provisions for an Order to Show Cause does not apply to the 1986 D&O. The D&O "does not contain the condition provided by the Commission in its decision and orders that grants the statutory authority to the Commission to issue and serve an order to show cause".
6. The Kuilima Development Company is in compliance with all conditions of the 1986 D&O.
7. The project remains essentially the same.

For these summary reasons stated above, we respectfully request the consideration of the LUC to deny the Defend Oahu Coalition Motion for an Issuance of an Order to Show Cause Why the Boundary Reclassification Should not be Revoked for Failure to Perform Conditions, Representations and Commitment.

Sincerely,

Peter Ganaban
Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Hawaii Laborers' Union



OAHU'S FABLED NORTH SHORE

November 6, 2013

Hawaii Land Use Commission

Re: Turtle Bay Resort – Show Cause Hearing 11/8/2013

Dear Commissioners:

I have been an employee of Turtle Bay Resort for almost three years. I was born and raised in Kailua and of Hawaiian, Norwegian, and Japanese ancestry. My father was a 442nd infantry veteran, my mother a homemaker.

In late 2010, I received a call from a professional recruiter for a GM job in Waikiki. While Waikiki was not of interest, I suggested he call me should the Turtle Bay position ever become available. Two months later, I found myself back home in the role I serve today. In the comfort of my culture, family, and weather! I had been away from home for over 20 years and struggled with my inability to personally care for my ailing 85 year old mom. I am extremely grateful to have found my way back home and appreciate the many things I had taken for granted 20+ years ago.

In my role as V.P./GM, it has become my mission to help the many generations of North Shore families enjoy the meaning of home, just as I am able to enjoy today. To have jobs close to home. To afford homes for more independent lives. To build a future for their kids and grandkids. And to create a more economically stable community for all future generations. These families are the soul of the North Shore with deep roots and the aloha spirit that truly defines "hospitality."

I strongly support the Turtle Bay growth plan. It is a responsible plan with significant compromise over previous owners. This current ownership has embraced the community with humility, integrity, and much needed generosity, contributing over \$120,000 in cash and in-kind contributions last year alone.

Thank you commissioners for accepting my testimony and for supporting Turtle Bays commitment to our community. Any interference or delay in this responsible growth is not in the best interest of our community.

Sincerely,

Danna Holck

Vice President & General Manager