BEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

In the Matter of the Petition of

HALEKUA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, a Hawaii corporation

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On October 15, 2002, the Office of Planning ("OP") filed a Motion For An Order To Show Cause To Rescind The Decision And Order Dated On October 1, 1996 ("Motion"), pursuant to sections 15-15-70 and 15-15-93, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR"). OP requested that the Land Use Commission ("Commission") hold an order to show cause hearing and rescind the Amended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order ("Amended Decision and Order") dated October 1, 1996, to revert the entire 503.886-acre Petition Area to its former designation within the State Land Use Agricultural District. OP stated that since the issuance of the first Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order in this docket, Petitioner Halekua
Development Corporation ("Halekua") has failed to secure financing for the proposed project and to convey the 150-acre agricultural park to the State of Hawai‘i as required by Condition Number 19 of the Amended Decision and Order. OP also stated that despite Halekua’s sale of a portion of the Petition Area, Halekua did not use the funds to obtain and transfer the agricultural park.

On October 23, 2002, HRT, Ltd. ("HRT"), filed a Memorandum In Opposition Of Office Of Planning’s Motion For An Order To Show Cause To Rescind The Decision And Order Dated October 1, 1996.¹

On October 29, 2002, Halekua filed a Memorandum In Opposition To Office Of Planning’s Motion For An Order To Show Cause To Rescind The Decision And Order Dated October 1, 1996.

On January 8, 2003, Halekua filed a Supplemental Memorandum In Opposition To Office Of Planning’s Motion For An Order To Show Cause To Rescind The Decision And Order Dated October 1, 1996.

The Commission considered the Motion at its meeting on January 9, 2003, in Honolulu, Hawai‘i. John W. K. Chang, Esq., and Abe Mitsuda appeared on behalf of OP. Also present were Jonathan S. Durrett, Esq., and Herbert K. Horita on behalf of Halekua; Reuben S. F. Wong, Esq., on behalf of HRT; Stephen K. C. Mau, Esq., on behalf of Robinson Estate; Richard K. Mirikitani, Esq., on behalf of Castle & Cooke; and

¹ HRT owns a portion of the Petition Area.
Randall Hara and Mike Watkins on behalf of the City and County of Honolulu

Department of Planning and Permitting.

At the meeting, Halekua stated that it opposed the Motion. Halekua noted that it had worked out an arrangement with the Department of Education to relinquish Halekua’s interest in a lot to a developer who would work with the existing lienholders to develop a school on the site. Halekua also noted that a firm closing date had been established with its new lender to obtain financing for the project. HRT stated that it had no objection to the matter being set for hearing, but it had concerns regarding the merits and substance of the Motion. HRT further requested that it be allowed to intervene as an interested party if the Commission were to set this matter for hearing. During the discussion, it was noted that Halekua previously appeared before this Commission and represented that it was pursuing various funding sources but had yet to secure financing for the project. Following discussion, the Commission noted that there was a sufficient amount of information presented so as to cause the majority of the Commission members to form a belief that there has been a failure by Halekua to comply with Condition Number 19 of the Amended Decision and Order.

Thereafter, a motion was made and seconded to grant OP’s Motion and set this matter for a show cause hearing in the latter part of April 2003 as it pertains to the entire approximately 503.886-acre Petition Area, and further to grant HRT intervenor status upon filing a timely application therefor. Following discussion by the
Commissioners, a vote was taken on this motion. There being a vote tally of 5 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 absent, the motion carried.

ORDER

Having duly considered the Motion, the written and oral arguments, and a motion having been made at a meeting conducted on January 9, 2003, in Honolulu, Hawai‘i, and the motion having received the affirmative votes required by sections 15-15-13, HAR, and there being good cause for the motion, this Commission ORDERS that OP’s Motion be GRANTED and that this matter be set for a show cause hearing in the latter part of April 2003 as it pertains to the entire approximately 503.886-acre Petition Area, and further that HRT will be granted intervenor status upon filing a timely application therefor.

ADOPTION OF ORDER

The undersigned Commissioners, being familiar with the record and the proceedings, hereby adopt and approve the foregoing ORDER this 20th day of February 2003. The ORDER and its ADOPTION shall take effect upon the date this ORDER is certified and filed by this Commission.

LAND USE COMMISSION
STATE OF HAWAII

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Chairperson and Commissioner

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APPROVED AS TO FORM

Deputy Attorney General

Filed and effective on February 26, 2003

Certified by:

Executive Officer
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Order Granting Office Of Planning’s Motion For An Order To Show Cause To Rescind The Decision And Order Dated On October 1, 1996 was served upon the following by either hand delivery or depositing the same in the U. S. Postal Service by certified mail:

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