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WAIKAPU MAUKA PARTNERS' PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER
came on for hearing before the Land Use Commission of the State
of Hawaii on May 25, 1989 at its meeting in Wailuku, Hawaii.
Present at the hearing were Mr. Edward S. Kushi, Jr., attorney
for Petitioner, Mr. Howard H. Hamamoto, representative of
Waikapu Mauka Partners, Deputy Attorney General Mr. John
Anderson, attorney for the Office of State Planning, State of
Hawaii, Mr. Abe Mitsuda representing the Office of State
Planning, Deputy Corporation Counsel Ms. Haunani S. Y. Lemn,
attorney for the Planning Department, County of Maui and Mr.
Clyde Murashige representing the Planning Department, County of
Maui. The two questions posed to the Commission are:
1) Do the requirements as set forth in the definition of a "farm dwelling" as promulgated in §15-14-03, Hawaii Land Use Commission Rules, apply to "living quarters or dwellings" permitted on State Agricultural District lands with soil classification rating of "E" by the land study bureau, as set forth in §205-2, HRS, as amended?

2) Pursuant to Petitioner’s proposal to subdivide approximately 680 acres of State Agricultural District land, said land being classified as "E" by the land study bureau, which proposal includes a community nursery/orchard, will the construction of dwellings on the individual lots, without more, satisfy the requirements as set forth in the definition of a "farm dwelling" (§15-15-03, Hawaii Land Use Commission Rules), or the definition of "living quarters or dwellings" (205-2, HRS, as amended)?

As to Petitioner’s first question, the Commission has no trouble ruling that for agricultural district lands with soil classified by the land study bureau’s productivity rating class as C, D, E or U, the requirement in §205-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which requires that "dwellings" be "farm dwellings", is not mandatorily applicable to such lands.

As to Petitioner’s second question, Petitioner orally amended its Petition to withdraw that question for consideration, without prejudice. Accordingly, the Commission allows the withdrawal, without prejudice, and does not rule on that question.

Dated: Honolulu, Hawaii, this 28th day of June, 1989.

LAND USE COMMISSION
STATE OF HAWAII

By RENTON L. K. NIP
Chairman and Commissioner