Aloha Riley:

Here's a comment on a Maui project, not sure which one. Think this is Bert's. Let me know if you know and where to copy this to. Aloha, Scott

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Date: 01/30/2016 07:00 PM
Subject: NO!!! Homeless camp proposal for Lahaina

Aloha LUC,

This proposal remains hugely unpopular as a viable solution for the homeless crisis in Lahaina.

For a multitude of reasons, most of them patently obvious, it should not be allowed, nor should piecemeal commercial rezoning of this parcel be considered. ALL land is clearly designated "ag" east of the highway for miles (Pali to Lahaina town proper). Allowing one partial parcel to be rezoned "commercial" is a slippery slope of extremely dubious value other than to Peter Martin's personal pocketbook.

The most obvious reasons against are terrible location, no proximity to resources, poor monitoring of who will be "ok", poor thought as to hoping to mix legitimate campers with the homeless, proximity to a culturally and environmentally sensitive river and watershed, owner's past history of zero effort to clear out vagrants from this property (where they have littered the stream for years with bedding, trash, hypodermic needles, etc, allowing same to flush down to the ocean), lack of proximity to any health, police, emergency services, food, basic needs completely lacking, no highway crossing between camp and town (Salvation Army on Shaw being the most popular destination), and the list goes on and on. Please reference lengthy comments offered on the petition from residents.

It is a real shame Peter Martin cannot accept that no one is interested in his pet homeless/commercial venture. It has consumed a vast amount of paid county time, residents time, to oppose, etc. Enough already! This is so clearly not a solution that will help the homeless it should've been kicked straight to the curb on day one. Instead he insists on trying to run around, under, and through legal hurdles to implant his greedy and careless ideas on the community, just as he did in Sprecklesville with a near identical homeless camp about 8 years ago (it was turned down). Too bad he didn't learn anything.
Please turn this ill conceived proposal down, and in such a way it cannot resurface ever again. Make Peter Martin and his shady associates have to follow the law of land use just like the rest of us do.

Mahalo for your time,

Janet Spreiter