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Aloha to State Land Use Commission

I just wanted to email my concern in allowing this project to proceed with 769 new residential units and from what I read that 30% will be considered "affordable" starting at 650K. Are you kidding? Where is the affordability for my one and only adult son's ability to afford to buy a 650K home any time soon on Kauai?

I relocated from Honolulu to Kauai to live in a "country" environment where crime and accidents is not a daily event like it is on other islands 35+ years ago.

Can you please do something to keep Kauai housing affordable? Seriously, that's going to happen ever again any time soon. We have homelessness, drugs, people flying to our island from the mainland to get benefits that should be for the locals and seniors, in fact, especially the seniors.

I have friends who are 70+ in age, living in public housing, who pay rent over \$900 and barely make it to buy food for themselves.

This is so sad to see Kauai become a place filled with way too many tourists and the rich guys. Ok, I'm not rich and I worked for more than 45 years of my life. I would like to hope that my future grand children would have that opportunity to live on Kauai affordably. We pay more just to live in Hawaii so who will actually be able to afford a 650K house? These families would probably need to work 3 jobs to make their \$2000+ monthly mortgage?

Very simple... we got enough problems with traffic in Kapaa, the roundabout and driver's whipping in and out of that circle. How can this area possibly get any worse with more cars, residents and non-residents alike. I doubt if the schools in Kapaa can handle another 768 homes. Is the developer planning on giving monies to the schools in Kapaa? Don't think so. I would assume this developer cannot "respect" our way of life on a small island. We are a small island and another so called "affordable" housing subdivision is not affordable. Please give a rip about us as your agency has the power to promote "positive" growth versus "stupid" growth.

More "public" education via newspapers and meetings about this subdivision is needed. I would like to see a 20 page Garden Island supplement published about this project/subdivision. I only read about this subdivision in the local papers today which is why I'm emailing. Not everyone uses Internet, tweets, or social media! Think about what this new subdivision will do to Kapaa?? Will it make us a better community and allow us to grow conservatively or ridiculously out of control --when I hit my 80's in 20 years. Good grief :( Don't just let it happen to make developers richer and if the State of Hawaii is really into making homes affordable, then make it happen so that our kids can return to make Kauai their home.

Thank you for reading this message. I may be reached via email and would be interested in any future meetings or information on this project -- Hokua Place.

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