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Aloha Land Use Commisioners,

Hokua Place is a 20th century solution to a 21st century problem: build 540 market priced houses so that 231 affordable to the local population can be built. Besides taxing the already overburdened infrastructure, this "solution " will draw buyers to Kauai from elsewhere. There was a time when the island could accommodate a growing population, but indicators are flashing red that this model is no longer tenable.

The main driver of population growth is more births than deaths in the local population. More visitor industry accommodations and in-migration are close behind. Besides infrastructure shortcomings that carry a prohibitively high pricetag to address, the island's delicate ecosystem is being overburdened, unable to absorb the waste produced by an influx of population demanding a first world consumption lifestyle. Rising enterococcus bacteria levels in near shore waters, recorded monthly by Surfrider Foundation, attest to this alarming development. Hokua Place is a prime example of development that carries long term negative effect.

Additional dwelling units on existing properties, homes built on County land with fixed rents, sweat equity homes in the Habitat for Humanity model, these are solutions to housing that local people can afford. HokuaPlace is more of the same old exploitation of the natural wealth of Kauai for the profit of a few at the expense of everyone else.

Thank you for your consideration,
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