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Community meeting planned on proposed Kihei development

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Koa Partners will host a community presentation and listening session on the revised Piilani Promenade project Monday in Kihei.

The meeting will take place at Stawasz Hall at St. Theresa Church. Sign-in begins at 6 p.m., with the meeting to follow at 6:30.

The session will feature a review of the downsized project and seek additional community views. It follows months of meetings with community organizations and local groups.

In July 2017, the state Land Use Commission unanimously rejected the project's final environmental impact statement, which called for building 226 apartment units, 58,000 square feet of light industrial space and retail, office and business/commercial development limited to 530,000 square feet on land mauka of the intersection of Kaonoulu Road and Piilani Highway.

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A year later, developer Piilani Promenade North and South, owned by Texas-based landowner Sarofim Realty Advisors, said that it wanted to revert to original plans, which included a 123-lot commercial and light industrial subdivision.

Sarofim has scaled back its plans over the years in response to community objections and the commission's decisions. In 2013, the commission ruled that a proposal on the same site for two large commercial areas — which came to be called the “*megamalls*” — failed to meet conditions set in 1995, when the land was reclassified from agricultural to urban.