Aloha

My name is Walter D. Raikes, I've attached a few documents one from my HOA (manawai) and one from myself and wife to oppose the permit for Sacred Heart Assembly. (sp-19-410)

Thank you for your time.
10/30/2019

To the Land Use Commission members,

My name is Walter D. Raikes and my wife Alexandra are soon to be residents of 17 Manawai Pl Haiku HI which is within 500ft of the proposed Sacred Earth Assembly (SP19-410) and we strongly oppose the permit that would allow for this to happen.

The surrounding properties I believe are designated as Agriculture use, which I believe the Abrams will be using the land for something far away from the definition Agriculture. I did not realize the magnitude of the assemblies before, but talking to neighbors I'm concerned with the influx of traffic in an area that is not designed for the amount of people that would attend these assemblies. With two small children, traffic and noise are the main concern we have.

As someone who has been born and raised on the island of Maui I've seen the changes throughout the years, some good and others bad. I can't sit by and watch as Haiku changes away from it's agriculture roots. Therefore I strongly oppose the permit for Sacred Earth Assembly. (SP19-410)

Mahalo Nui,

Walter & Alexandra Raikes
Aloha Manawai Neighbors

The Ahimsa Sanctuary Sanctuary Farm is now well into the process of applying for a special use permit that will allow them to be able to build and operate a church on their property in the agricultural zoning and in turn will allow them to continue to have large events on their property without any recourse from neighbors. They have stated that they want to have at least 2 to 3 events a week with 50 to 100 people at any one time during different times of the day and night.

For many years in the past, the owners, Lew and Maria Abrams, have had multiple activities that were disturbing the surrounding residents and were found to have several zoning violations. These activities were ticketed events and included PA systems, bands, loud music and drumming well into the early morning hours.

They were shut down in 2015 because of multiple complaints and the zoning violations.

Although Manawai may be out of the legal proximity limit for prior notice of hearings, the Board feels that we should have been notified of this request as the peace and quiet of our neighborhood will again be directly impacted.

The deadline for us to respond and enter a written objection on behalf of our community is Thursday, August 8th.

As the MHOA Board, it is our intention to send a letter to the commission opposing any decision being made that could adversely affect the 21 members of our association.

If you have any questions, please call or email us. The attached link is the actual hearing which was on June 25th. Once you open the link, there are 2 links at the bottom of the screen, go to the second link and fast forward to the 16th minute. You can also write to the commission and and reference Docket No. SUP2 2017/0011.

Mahalo

MHOA Board