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STATE OF HAWAII  
LAND USE COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting

Lihue Plantation Office Building  
Lihue, Kauai

November 10, 1972 - 2:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Goro Inaba, Chairman  
Eddie Tangen, Vice Chairman  
Leslie Wung  
Alexander Napier  
Stanley Sakahashi  
Tanji Yamamura

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Shelley M. Mark  
Sunao Kido

STAFF PRESENT: Tatsuo Fujimoto, Executive Officer  
Ah Sung Leong, Planner  
Benjamin Matsubara, Deputy Attorney Gen.

Chairman Inaba called the meeting to order. Persons planning to testify before the Commissioners were sworn in by the Chairman.

HEARING

PETITION BY LIHUE PLANTATION CO., LTD. (A72-335) TO RECLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 26.4 ACRES FROM URBAN TO AGRICULTURE AT KEALIA, KAWAII, KAUAI.

Executive Officer Tatsuo Fujimoto presented the staff report and described the area in question (see report on file).

Commissioner Sakahashi inquired whether the Department of Taxation was represented at the hearing since he wanted to know whether urban taxes will be continued if the subject property is reclassified into the Agricultural district.

Vice Chairman Tangen emphasized that it was not the role of the Department of Taxation to determine the type of uses that the land should be put to, and that he shared Commissioner Sakahashi's concern about the activities of the Department of Taxation in Land Use planning. He felt that the statement by

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the Kauai Tax Office that "it will not reduce its valuation of the lands in question solely because of a change in classification" runs counter to the program of the Commission and felt that this should be called to the attention of the Tax Director.

Mr. John Loomis, petitioner's representative indicated that he had with him two of the petitioner's engineers who can answer any questions which the Commission may have. He stated that he was in agreement with the facts stated in the staff's report.

After a short discussion, Chairman Inaba advised that the Commission would receive additional evidence up to 15 days after the public hearing.

The hearing was closed shortly thereafter.

#### ACTION

SPECIAL PERMIT PETITION BY ALLAN C. AND LINDA L. WONG (SP72-136) TO CONSTRUCT A CARE HOME WITHIN THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT AT KAPAA HOMESTEADS, KAPAA, KAUAI.

Mr. Leong, staff planner, read the staff memorandum which recommended approval of the special permit, subject to the County's conditions.

Mrs. Linda Wong, petitioner, explained that although they now live in Honolulu, she and her husband are originally from Kauai. They would like to return here to establish the care facility. She related that Dr. Weaver of the Department of Health is working with her on the problems associated with the establishment of the care home.

Commissioner Sakahashi moved that the special permit be approved as recommended by staff. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tangen and unanimously passed.

#### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

The Commission decided to conduct its next meeting on November 16 on Oahu. Shortly thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.