

STATE OF HAWAII
LAND USE COMMISSION

Minutes of Public Hearing
and Meeting

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February 17, 1967 - 1:45 P. M.

Commissioners
Present:

Myron B. Thompson, Chairman
C. E. S. Burns
Jim P. Ferry
Robert G. Wenkam
Shiro Nishimura
Goro Inaba
Leslie Wung

Commissioner
Absent:

Shelley M. Mark

Staff Present:

Ramon Duran, Executive Officer
George Moriguchi, Former Executive Officer
Roy Takeyama, Legal Counsel
Ah Sung Leong, Draftsman
Dora Horikawa, Stenographer

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order, followed by a short prayer, explained procedures to be followed during the hearing and introduced Commissioners and staff members. Persons testifying before the Commission were also sworn in at this time.

HEARINGS:

PETITION OF FRANK & BESSIE MONIZ (A66-143) TO AMEND THE DISTRICT BOUNDARY FROM AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO A RURAL DISTRICT AT KAONOULU, KULA, MAUI, identifiable by TMK 2-2-06: 63

Mr. Ramon Duran, Executive Officer, presented a staff report recommending denial of the petition based on the lack of additional significant evidence to warrant a reversal of the previous decision of the Commission on an earlier petition.

Mr. Robert Ohata, Maui Planning Director, challenged the rationale employed by staff in recommending denial of this petition; namely the fact that sufficient undeveloped rural lands were available in the Kula area. Yet in another instance, staff had recommended approval of a petition for urbanization (A66-134, Maui Ventures) in an area that already included surplus urban lands, on the premise that this was compatible with good planning and a logical area for expansion. The very crux of the County's recommendation for approval of this petition, Mr. Ohata argued, was based on these same reasons.

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On his belief that this was a reasonable and valid request which merited consideration and on his intention to seek an expansion of the boundaries at a later date, Commissioner Ferry moved to approve the request for rural designation. It was seconded by Chairman Thompson and passed unanimously.

PETITION OF MAUI VENTURES (A66-134) TO RECLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 49 ACRES OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS TO AN URBAN CLASSIFICATION AT MAKAWAO, MAUI

Staff memorandum presented by Mr. Leong recommended approval of the petition in view of the development trends in the Makawao area and recommended also that the approximately 100 acres within the present Makawao Urban District which apparently would be continued in use as agricultural lands be considered for the Agricultural District when the boundaries are reviewed next year (see copy of report on file).

Commissioner Ferry moved to approve the petition as recommended by staff, seconded by Commissioner Burns, and the motion was carried unanimously.

PETITION OF WAILUKU SUGAR CO. (A66-136) TO RECLASSIFY APPROXIMATELY 8/10's ACRE OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS TO URBAN AT WAILUKU, MAUI

It was recommended by staff that the petition be approved in view of the fairly tight urban scene and the availability of community facilities in the area. (See copy of report on file.)

Commissioner Wenkam moved that the petition be approved as recommended by staff, seconded by Commissioner Burns, and passed unanimously.

PETITION OF LAND USE COMMISSION (A66-139) TO RECLASSIFY 10 ACRES FROM AGRICULTURAL TO RURAL AT LIHUE, KAUAI

Following staff's recommendation for approval of the petition (see copy of report on file) Commissioner Ferry moved to recommend approval of the petition, seconded by Commissioner Nishimura. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.