
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING
THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING TO ENSURE THAT
THE INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT ANY NEW DEVELOPMENT
IS BUILT.

1 WHEREAS, in recent years, the explosion of homes and
2 businesses, including state and municipal buildings, partly as a
3 result of Kapolei's new designation as the "Second City of Oahu"
4 has dramatically changed the face of Kapolei; and
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6 WHEREAS, while the resident population has taken an upward
7 spike, the roads, water systems, schools, and other necessary
8 infrastructure supporting the region have not kept up with the
9 rapid pace of development and population growth; and
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11 WHEREAS, additional development that is planned in the near
12 future, including over 4,000 new homes, the office buildings of
13 the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands that will house its 100
14 employees, the University of Hawaii's new West Oahu campus with
15 its proposed 1,520 students, and other businesses, is expected
16 to place an unbearable strain on the neighborhood; and
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18 WHEREAS, this type of sudden and overwhelming growth is
19 likely to strain the infrastructure, for example, by:
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21 (1) Frustrating residents who must spend the bulk of their
22 day waiting in traffic to use one road to get in and
23 out of the neighborhood because of traffic congestion
24 from the increase in commuters;
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26 (2) Causing damage to local roads that were not built to
27 withstand the increased load of traffic; and
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29 (3) Endangering residents in need of emergency services
30 because emergency vehicles are delayed by heavy
31 traffic;
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