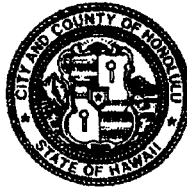


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April 8, 2008

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The Honorable Clatyon Hee, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Water and Land
State Senate
State Capitol, Room 228
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Hee and Committee Members:

Subject: GM 616 – Relating to Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation
to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA), Gubernatorial
Nominee, Jonathan Wai Yun Lai, for a Term to Expire 6-30-2012

I write in support of the re-appointment of Jonathan Wai Yun Lai to the HCDA board.

As one of several Kalaeloa representatives to HCDA, I have had the opportunity to observe Mr. Lai's conduct in many HCDA meetings. He brings to the board considerable experience and impeccable credentials, in addition to a no-nonsense approach to the handling of our board meetings. He has demonstrated his abilities to handle many diverse situations and issues which come before the board.

Please confirm Jonathan Lai for reappointment.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Henry Eng".

Henry Eng, FAICP, Director
Department of Planning and Permitting

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General Growth Properties, Inc.

LATE TESTIMONY

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
Senate Committee on Water and Land

Wednesday, April 9, 2008; 2:45 p.m.
Conference Room 414

RE: SCR 189/SR 108 – REQUESTING THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO DEFER DECISIONS ON ANY APPLICATIONS FOR ZONING CHANGES UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT PROCESS AND THE SUBSEQUENT ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT MAUKA AREA PLAN AND THE MAUKA AREA RULES.

Aloha Chair Hee and Vice Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee:

General Growth Properties has serious concerns with SCR 189/SR108. The resolution suggests that the master plan being prepared by General Growth Properties (GGP) for its sixty acre landholdings in Kaka'ako will not be in compliance with the Draft Mauka Area Plan and will drastically impact small businesses. The resolution also suggests that the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) incorporate provisions in the revised Mauka Area Rules to facilitate projects that would perpetuate service and industrial uses in Central Kaka'ako.

As a matter of background, GGP acquired the Ward properties in 2002 and has been working to prepare a master plan that would support HCDA's vision for the Kaka'ako Mauka Area. The proposed revisions to HCDA's Mauka Area Plan recommend three fundamental objectives for Kaka'ako:

1. Develop urban village neighborhoods.
2. Create great public places.
3. Make the connection with a balanced set of transportation modes.

The Ward Master Plan seeks to fulfill this vision.

Currently, the Ward properties house a mix of one and two story retail and commercial buildings, one multi-story office building, a theatre/entertainment complex and several multi-story parking structures. The uses on site include retail, restaurant, storage and office uses.

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GGP's vision for the Ward properties focuses on the creation of three significant public spaces that would provide opportunities for public performances, a farmer's market and children's play areas. The largest of the public spaces, currently called Central Plaza, could be more than three acres in size.

Creation of mixed use neighborhoods that house a range of family types of different incomes, as well as a range of uses, is another part of the vision.

Finally, the Ward Master Plan offers a unique opportunity to embrace the transit line and station proposed for the area into a mixed use transit oriented community. We have been in discussions with the City on both the transit alignment and station and the Ward Neighborhood will be designed to be "transit ready". The Plan also provides for enhanced pedestrian and bicycle paths.

GGP is committed to working with our small businesses. As we plan each phase, we will work with the tenants to find a place for them in the new project or provide assistance to relocate them to a new space. We have had a number of meetings with our tenants to update them on the Master Plan and will continue to do so throughout the implementation of the plan, which may take twenty to thirty years.

GGP is also committed to continuing to seek input from the broader Kaka'ako community. Several months ago, GGP commenced a major public outreach and information campaign. We have sought input via several focused charrettes, a community open house, an informational website and presentations to numerous business and community groups and Kaka'ako stakeholders. This is an ongoing effort that is important to GGP as we design a new kind of Hawaii neighborhood.

HCDA is in the initial stages of its Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement process (SEIS). Understanding that completion of this process and the subsequent adoption of a revised plan and administrative rules could take a substantial amount of time, GGP hopes to begin the design and development of the first phase of the Master Plan, which is focused on construction of the Central Plaza, upon HCDA's approval of the Master Plan. We have and will continue to work with HCDA staff to coordinate our efforts on the Master Plan and the SEIS.

To the extent that these Resolutions are not necessary, we respectfully urge the Committee to defer action on SCR 189/SR 108. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to present testimony on this matter.

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From: Nancy L. Hedlund, Ph.D. [nancyhedlund@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2008 8:49 AM
To: Sen. Clayton Hee; Sen. Russell Kokubun; Sen. Carol Fukunaga; Sen. Paul Whalen; Sen. Jill Tokuda; testimony
Subject: Testimony Re: Senate WTL Hearing - SCR 189/SR 108 (HCDA Mauka Area Rules)

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

I write as a concerned citizen and neighborhood board member to urge that the resolution SCR 189/SR 108 be heard in hearing and that testimony be taken.

I am a member of the Ala Moana/Kaka'ako Neighborhood Board and have carefully followed development in Kaka'ako and the important work of the HCDA that is now underway to guide development within the framework of a formal plan.

Please support the HCDA's current work on the Mauka plan and the environmental impact analysis work underway. People in Kaka'ako do not want developers to be enabled to request from HCDA variances in zoning for increased density in development. We have a process in place and we should support the process by supporting HCDA in not granting variances in zoning before completion of all the work on the Mauka area plan.

Sincerely,
Nancy Hedlund
Honolulu Resident and Member, Ala Moana/Kaka'ako Neighborhood Board (11)

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Legislative Testimony

**HCR 117, REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL
RESOURCES, LAND DIVISION, TO ASSEMBLE VARIOUS STATE,
COUNTY, AND COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO MEET AND DEVELOP A
HANAPEPE SALT POND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Senate Committee on Water and Land

April 9, 2008

2:45 p.m.

Room: 414

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** HCR 117, which requests the Land Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to work with other agencies to develop a Hanapēpē Salt Pond Resource Management Plan.

OHA strongly supports this measure to protect Hanapēpē Salt Pans, a historic and cultural resource to the island of Kauaʻi and the State of Hawaiʻi. We are pleased to note the inclusion of two members of each of the salt makers' hui who perpetuate the salt pans' living heritage.

Sacred Pū'olo Point and the Hanapēpē Salt Pans on that point are Hawaiian national treasures, listed on the State Register of Historic Places (Site Number 30-09-49), and qualified for listing on the National Register. Native Hawaiians have used the papa pa'akai (salt flats) and hāhāpa'akai (salt beds) for centuries and through generations into today. For example, some 'ohana mix new pa'akai with the pa'akai of their kūpuna, an action that perpetuates the continuity of this important cultural practice.

The kai ho'olulu, or sea water that evaporates, producing the pa'akai, is uniquely formed through subterranean saltwater movements that can be disrupted, contaminated or destroyed through any subsurface disturbance in the area. The protection and improvement of the waters surrounding the salt ponds as well as the rest of the surrounding environs is extremely important to the continued preservation of irreplaceable historic and cultural resource.

Development of a Hanapēpē Salt Pond Resource Management Plan would create an appropriate venue for the community rights holders to provide input in the planning process for the preservation of the salt ponds. Our office supports this resolution to create a management plan with the appropriate rights holders to help guide the development of the Hanapēpē Salt Pond Resource Management Plan.

OHA urges the committee to PASS HCR 117. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Legislative Testimony
**HCR 347, URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL
RESOURCES TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH THE ADOPTION OF RULES
TO REGULATE THE ORNAMENTAL REEF FISHERY INDUSTRY
IN SOUTH MAUI AND KANEHOE BAY**
Senate Committee on Water and Land

April 9, 2008
Room: 414

2:45 p.m.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS, with amendments**, H.C.R. 347, which urges the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to immediately adopt rules to regulate the ornamental reef fish industry in south Maui and Kāneʻohe Bay.

One of the threats currently endangering the health of Hawaiʻi's marine ecosystems is the unregulated collection of reef fish for aquariums. OHA realizes that this problematic practice is not effectively regulated or enforced. Thus, there is a dire need to address this problem, and OHA sees this bill as a step in the right direction.

OHA requests that this resolution be amended to increase the geographic limitations of south Maui and Kāneʻohe Bay that are proposed. OHA suggests that if rules are to be promulgated, then it would be prudent to do them on a more statewide basis. This would also be more efficient in terms of time and money. The issue of collecting species for aquariums is an important one (as demonstrated by the barrage of requests for the Legislature to take action) for the entire State, and these reef species are not solely affected in the two areas that this bill addresses.

In addition, we ask that the resolution be amended to include language that states that the proposed rules will not conflict with the West Hawaiʻi Fisheries Council's rules, which were created, with much effort and good faith, by that community to protect the area's marine resources. These rules have been a shining example of effective resource management created through healthy community collaboration and mutual respect for and among competing

users of the nearshore resource. Moreover, we suggest that the proposed ornamental reef fish industry rules actually reflect the West Hawai'i Fisheries Council's rules. We encourage the DLNR to reach out to the public and encourage community participation in the adoption of these rules.

As such, OHA urges the Committee to PASS H.C.R. 347, taking the above requests into account. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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