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TESTIMONY

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Testimony from
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Before a Hearing of the
Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Thursday, April 21, 2011
9:45 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

GM 624

Nomination of Lisa Ellen Smith to State Commission on the Status of Women

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to submit my written testimony in support of gubernatorial nominee Ms. Lisa Ellen Smith to the State Commission on the Status of Women.

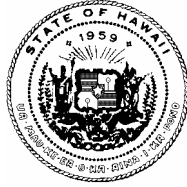
The State Commission plays an integral role in supporting equality for women and girls by acting as a catalyst for positive change through collaborative programs, advocacy, and education.

Lisa Ellen Smith has served on the County of Kauai's Committee on the Status of Women since 2007. As a result of her dedication and commitment, she was elected as the Committee's Chairwoman in 2009. Through her service on the County Committee, Lisa Ellen has clearly demonstrated her interest, knowledge, and ability to make meaningful contributions in providing ideas and solutions related to issues faced by women in Hawai'i.

I believe that Lisa Ellen Smith will be an asset to the State Commission on the Status of Women and humbly ask for your favorable consideration and confirmation of her nomination.

Mahalo,

Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.
Mayor of Kaua'i



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April 21, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair
Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director
Department of Human Services

SUBJECT: **G. M. 624 – GUBERNATORIAL NOMINATION OF LISA ELLEN
SMITH TO THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE
STATUS OF WOMEN**

Hearing: Thursday, April 21, 2011 9:45 a.m.
Conference Room 325 State Capitol

The Department of Human Services supports the nomination of Lisa Ellen Smith to the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW).

Ms. Smith's diverse business experience will be an asset to the HSCSW in developing policies for the advancement of women in leadership positions in business.

Ms. Smith has experience as a member of the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women. She will be an asset to the HSCSW in its goal of advancing the status of Hawaii's women and girls.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Ms. Smith's nomination.

April 19, 2011

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
and Members of the Conference Committee
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 325
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813

Dear Chair Hee:

**Subject: In support of Lisa Ellen Smith's nomination to the Commission on the Status of Women
GM 624 Notice of Hearing, Thursday April 21, Room 325 at 9:45 AM.**

I strongly support the nomination of Lisa Ellen Smith to the Commission on the Status of Women for a term to expire on June 30, 2015. I have known Ms. Smith through our professional association as coastal managers serving the public sector. Lisa Ellen is dedicated to fairness and equity and seeks to empower those less fortunate so that they may participate as stakeholders with equal standing in the process. It is these qualities and her enthusiasm for getting things done that has contributed to our friendship over the past five years. While she can be vocal, she is also a keen listener who accounts for the diversity of opinion and perspective.

I strongly endorse her appointment, recognizing that many others will benefit from her passion and commitment to serve the public and foster fresh, innovative and meaningful change.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance in any fashion by phone (808 344 1595) or by email at Thorneabbott@yahoo.com. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo nui loa!

Thorne Abbott
Speaking on my own behalf as a Hawaii resident

Speaking on my own behalf as a Hawaii resident however, I served as the Coastal Resources and Shoreline Planner for Maui County from 2004 to 2009, including the islands of Maui, Molokai and Lanai. I am presently an Environmental Planner and Analyst, primarily writing NEPA documents for TEC Inc., Suite 1550, Pauahi Tower, 1003 Bishop Street, Honolulu, HI 96813.

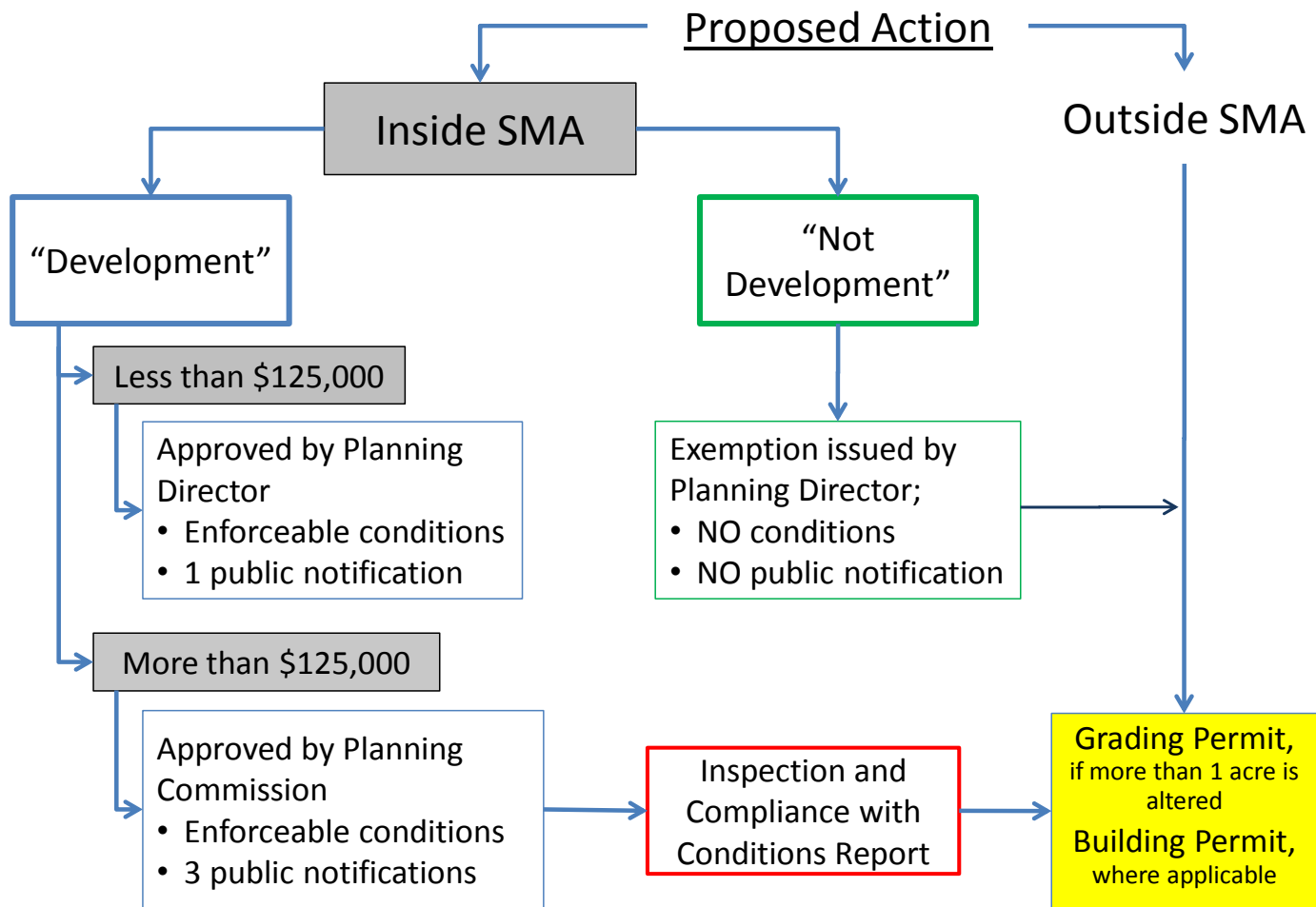


Figure 1: Special Management Area Approval Process

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Comments:

I SUPPORT the nomination of Lisa Ellen Smith for the Status of Women board. She is conscientious, thoughtful, has integrity, and is committed to forging a brighter future for our community.

Best regards,

Thomas A. Noyes
Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii