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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Young	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Members of the Senate,

I am writing to express my strong support for Senate Resolution SR NO. 30 urging the City and County of Honolulu to recognize and address the inequitable location of mental health facilities and clean and sober homes across the island of Oahu.

As a resident here, I have witnessed firsthand the overwhelming concentration of mental health facilities and clean and sober homes in our community. While I understand the need for these services, it is unjust that our community is forced to bear such a disproportionate burden. The large number of facilities and homes has caused individuals struggling with mental health issues and substance use problems to be referred to services along the Waianae coast from other areas of Oahu, further exacerbating the strain on our community.

I urge the City and County of Honolulu to take action to increase access to mental health facilities and clean and sober homes across the island of Oahu, particularly in areas where there is a demonstrated need. It is crucial that these resources be distributed more evenly to ensure that all communities have access to the support they need.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Young Achuka

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Kevin McClintock	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

ISSUE 1.

Proportionality of Country/AG-1/AG-2/P (Preservation) Land class to Residential (R-series) Land Class Comparison (Waianae Coast 5:1 to other 1:5 land mass) gross approximated. By definition Country/AG/P Land classes are not suitable or optimal for other than agricultural activities and should be minimally utilized for other activities (i.e. Clean and Sober Homes). Low cost of property (false enticement), lack of infrastructure, displacement of community members, lack of concentrated services (i.e. transportation, medical, legal) are among the prominent issues. Honolulu County Country/AG/Preservation Land Classes Purpose and Intent descriptions provided below.

Ref: HonoluluGIS

Actionee: DPP Validate

§ 21-3.60 Country district—Purpose and intent.

1. The purpose of the country district is to recognize and provide for areas with limited potential for agricultural activities, but for that the open space or rural quality of agricultural lands is desired. The district is intended to provide for some agricultural uses, low density residential development, and some supporting services and uses.
2. It is the intent that basic public services and facilities be available to support the district, but that the full range of urban services at urban standards need not be provided. Typically, the country district would be applied to areas outside the primary and secondary urban centers, that are identified by city-adopted land use policies.
3. The following guidelines shall be used to identify lands that may be considered for this district:
 1. Lands that are within the State-designated urban district and designated either agricultural or residential by adopted city land use policies;
 2. Lands that are not predominately classified as prime, unique, or other under the agricultural lands of importance to the State system;

3. Lands where a substantial number of existing parcels are less than 2 acres in size; and
4. Lands where existing public facility capacities preclude more intense development.

(1990 Code, Ch. 21, Art. 3, § 21-3.60) (Added by Ord. 99-12)

21-3.50 Agricultural districts—Purpose and intent.

1. The purpose of the agricultural districts is to maintain a strong agricultural economic base, to prevent unnecessary conflicts among incompatible uses, to minimize the cost of providing public improvements and services, and to manage the rate and location of physical development consistent with the city's adopted land use policies. To promote the viability and economic feasibility of an existing agricultural operation, accessory agribusiness activities may be permitted on the same site as an adjunct to agricultural uses. These accessory activities must be compatible with the onsite agricultural operation and surrounding land uses.
2. The intent of the AG-1 restricted agricultural district is to conserve and protect important agricultural lands for the performance of agricultural functions by permitting only those uses that perpetuate the retention of these lands in the production of food, feed, forage, fiber crops, and horticultural plants. Only accessory agribusiness activities that meet the above intent shall be permitted in this district.
3. The following guidelines shall be used to identify lands that may be considered for the AG-1 restricted agricultural district:
 1. Lands that are within the State-designated agricultural district and designated agricultural by adopted city land use policies;
 2. Lands that are predominantly classified as prime or unique under the agricultural lands of importance to the State system; and
 3. Lands where a substantial number of parcels are more than 5 acres in size.
1. The intent of the AG-2 general agricultural district is to conserve and protect agricultural activities on smaller parcels of land.
2. The following guidelines shall be used to identify lands that may be considered for the AG-2 general agricultural district:
 1. Lands that are in the state-designated agricultural or urban district and designated agricultural by adopted city land use policies;
 2. Lands that are predominantly classified as other under the agricultural lands of importance to the State of Hawaii system; and
 3. Lands that are used or are suitable for agricultural purposes and where a substantial number of parcels are less than 5 acres in size.

(1990 Code, Ch. 21, Art. 3, § 21-3.50) (Added by Ord. 99-12; Am. Ord. 02-63)

§ 21-3.40 Preservation districts—Purpose and intent.

1. The purpose of the preservation districts is to preserve and manage major open space and recreation lands, and lands of scenic and other natural resource value.
2. It is intended that all lands within a State-designated conservation district be zoned P-1 restricted preservation district.
3. The purpose of creating the F-1 military and federal preservation district is to identify areas in military or federal government use, and to permit the full range of military or federal government activities.
4. Should lands be removed from either the State-designated conservation district or from federal jurisdiction, all uses, structures, and development standards shall be as specified for the P-2 general preservation district.
5. It is also the intent that lands designated urban by the State, but well-suited to the functions of providing visual relief and contrast to the city's built environment, or serving as outdoor space for the public's use and enjoyment, be zoned P-2 general preservation district. Areas unsuitable for other uses because of topographical considerations related to public health, safety, and welfare concerns shall also be placed in this district.

(1990 Code, Ch. 21, Art. 3, § 21-3.40) (Added by Ord. 99-12)

ISSUE 2.

Is the Waianae Coast group home count accurate?

- Investigate No Clean and Sober (DOH) Certification homes
- Investigate No Conditional Use Permit (CUP) homes
- Validate Boarding Facility vs Group Living Facility (Honolulu County Group Living and Boarding Facilities definitions provided below)

Actionee: DOH ADAD/DPP

- ***Group Living Facilities.*** Facilities that are used to provide living accommodations and, in some cases, care services. Included are:
- (1) Monasteries and convents and dwelling units which are used to provide living accommodations and care services under a residential setting to individuals who are handicapped, aged, disabled, or undergoing rehabilitation. These are typically identified

as group homes, halfway houses, homes for children, the elderly, battered children and adults, recovery homes, independent group living facilities, hospices, and other similar facilities.

- (2) Facilities that provide services, often including medical care, and are identified as convalescent homes, nursing homes, sanitariums, intermediate-care, or extended-care facilities, and other similar facilities; and
 - (3) Facilities with accommodations for more than five resident individuals, except those meeting the definition of family. Resident managers or supervisors shall not be included in this resident count.
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- ***Boarding Facilities.*** Establishments with one kitchen that provide living accommodations for roomers in addition to the resident manager or owner and family, with or without meals, for remuneration or in exchange for services. The term does not include group living facilities or monasteries and convents.

ISSUE 3.

State DOH ADAD can target and regulate Clean and Sober Certifications by rule mandate.

Actionee: DOH ADAD

ISSUE 4.

Expand neighborhood board authority and/or DPP authority to deny Clean and Sober House applications when negative vote for Conditional Use Permit (CUP) is executed by neighborhood board.

Actionee: Neighborhood Board Commission/DPP

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gina salcedo	Individual	Support	In Person

Comments:

Gina Salcedo, SR30 (Support) Testimony with “Amendments”.

I Support SR30, but to amended additional Language and Intent of the following:

I am concern and In Public Trust, I Urge State Legislators and Honolulu City County Officials that is somehow Affiliated in anyway and not limited to, with Representation, Non-Profit Organization & Joint Partnership, to Disqualify Themselves from SR30 Committee Hearing and Judgements.

Whereas, SR30 language describes only Mental Health Facility and Clean & Sober Homes. To amend and incorporate additional language as “Transitional Home Programs, Drug Rehabilitation Home, Detox Rehabilitation Home, Mental Health Shelter’s. Houseless Shelter Projects, etc.”.

The Hawai‘i State Department of Health, as being "Equally Involvement", and in collaborating with State Paroling Authority, and State First Circuit Court Probation administrator is "equally involvement". By reason of releasing individuals on Probation & Parole, because of the overcrowded Prison & Court System.

- DOH, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division, and Public Health Division (Mental Health Facility), etc.
- Equally Involvement by the State Department of Human Services, that provides Subsidies for Food, Medical, etc. for All individuals on Parole and Probation. I do not know Who supports Subsidies for Lodging Expenses in Transitional Homes for them (highly probable Non-Profit Organization Grants and Established Partnership). Also Know As partnerships with Institute Human Service, Housing Solution Incorporated.

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these Business Operations within our Residential Community. imperative **Not To Compromised the Safety** for Children Schools, Recreational Areas, Aging Elderly residential community. As describe below (snapshot) date Dec. 6, 2022. had made awareness of my concerns to our district Neighborhood Board, and Representative's.

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Urge for a Champion Solution by City/State, to be in Partnership to create a Mandate State Law, to govern All Transitional Housing Program, Mental Health Business Operation. By a **Newly Created “Review Board”** with the Honolulu City County and the State Department Of Health be in a Singular Control Overall. With this Newly Created “City/State Review Board” installed and involvement comprised together with our HPD Law Enforcement, City Prosecutor’s, and City Neighborhood Boards. Gives Public Trust in our Government and of Full Transparency, under Recorded Session.

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Respectfully,

Gina Salcedo

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Austin Salcedo

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
MELODY RUTHERFORD	Individual	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

The Wainanae Coast continues to be the victim of both environmental and economic bias.

Currently, the concentration of social services, transitional homes, drug rehabilitation centers, homeless shelters on the Waianae Coast have created unsafe conditions for our keiki and kupuna. As the marginalized people who have not been helped by the social services that placed them on the Waianae Coast migrate to the beaches, these places have become full of trash, human waste, and drug activity.

I keep hearing about programs to help "Waianae's homeless and marginalized people." The people living on the beaches and creating unsafe conditions for our community parks and beaches ARE NOT "Waianae's homeless and marginalized people." They have been placed here, and concentrated here, by State and Local agencies, the Department of Health, and various non-profits.

The Waianae Coast is the most affordable community for housing. To continue to concentrate services for homeless, ex-convicts, and otherwise marginalized individuals in this community serves to reduce housing availability overall and depress the economic opportunities that homeownership would provide for the people who live on the Waianae Coast. Appraisals could take the homeless situation into account and depress home valuation. In a sense, by concentrating the social services here in Waianae, the State and Local Organizations are creating a type of redlining situation that should be unlawful.

We must have the State, County and Department of Health and Human Services work together to put a moratorium on the placement of these services on the people living on the Waianae Coast by their organizations and non-profits.

I recognize the need for social services, transitional homes, drug rehabilitation centers, and homeless shelters for this island. SR30 provides a viable and equitable solution. Other communities on Oahu will need to immediately accept the responsibility for these service locations and provide them in their community. Doing so will take the sole burden placed on Waianae and create an equitable distribution of services across the island.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Zhizi Xiong	Testifying for CARES	Comments	In Person

Comments:

CARES testifies to provide comments.

There are a couple of assumptions that should be cleared up. Paragraph 2 - “the large number of facilities along Oahu's Waianae coast has caused referrals to be concentrated along the Waianae coast rather than other areas of Oahu”. Let’s look at Kumuhonua which is located at Kalaeloa, Barbers Point. Kumuhonua is for single adults and couples (18 and over) who are homeless. All referrals and applications for Kumuhonua are now provided through the State of Hawaii Coordinated Entry System (CES). The State has some responsibility in this matter.

Paragraph 4 - The City is delegated the task to address this concern. This is not a concern for the city to address. This is a concern for the City & State and the nonprofit sector. The City has only 1 lease that is not within the urban core to provide support for the homeless and it was approved by the City Council per Resolution 22-224 for a nonprofit called Kealahou West. These facts can be referred to in the video of the testimony from the Budget Committee on Wednesday Sept 21, 2022 to verify this information when the Director of DCS talks about the nonprofit housing. Administrator Darryl Young says, “Its part of our department’s intentionality to bring support to the rural community. Too many times we have a lot of it concentrated in town.”

For those who don’t know, there is a big homeless village in Waianae. And there are a lot of programs on the West Coast. Maybe there is a reason why the homeless like it out there. They want to go out to the countryside because how are they gonna heal from getting high if all the drugs are in downtown. It seems like there are complaints but these complaints should not be validated. Homelessness is a concern for every district.

Blessings,

CARES