



Public Hearing on Sunshine Market Rules set for February 24, 2020



Lihue – The Office of Economic Development is announcing that a public hearing is set for February 24, 2020 on proposed amendments to the Sunshine Market Rules for the County of Kaua'i.

The public hearing will take place from 3pm-5pm at the Kaua'i War Memorial Convention Hall, Exhibit Hall A at 4191 Hardy Street, Lihue, HI 96766.

The Office of Economic Development proposes to amend its existing Sunshine Market Rules by:

- 1) Incorporating the changes passed in Ordinance No. 1041 to Chapter 23, Section 23-3.8 that include:
 - a. Adding additional products allowed to be sold at the sunshine markets (including red meat and white meat raised on a farmer's property, certified mushrooms, fowl eggs, in season legally obtained shellfish, in season legally obtained whole fish caught from local water and live, farm raised fish grown by Kaua'i farmers;
 - b. Changing the definition of Agricultural Produce/Products;
 - c. Adding language requiring the provision of copies of drivers licenses and vehicle insurance each time renewed by the Sunshine Market vendors;
 - d. Requiring number of farmers/vendor signatures needed for petition of rules change from thirty to fifty;
 - e. Requiring display of Sunshine Market permits and Price Lists at vendor stalls; and
 - f. Minor non-substantive changes in formatting and language.

The new rules allow the expansion of the available produce and product buyers will find at the County of Kaua'i Sunshine Markets. "Our ultimate goal is to make our Sunshine Markets a "must visit" location for our residents and visitors".

All interested persons who wish to present their testimony or comments on changes may do so at the public hearing on February 24, 2020. Written testimony or comments on changes prior to the hearing may be submitted no later than 2pm on Feb. 24, 2020 to the Office of Economic Development by mail: 4444 Rice St., Suite 200, Lihue, HI 96766, facsimile 808-241-6399, or via email to tmhaumea@kauai.gov. Copies of the proposed amendments are available at the Office of Economic Development in the Lihue Civic Center, Moikeha Building, 4444 Rice St. Suite 200, Lihue, during normal business hours, or on the department's website www.kauai.gov/oed.

If you need an ASL interpreter, materials in an alternate format, or other auxiliary aid support, or an interpreter for a language other than English, please contact the Office of Economic Development at (808) 241-4946 or tmhaumea@kauai.gov by 4:30pm on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.