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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 8, 2022

- TO: Planning Commission
- FROM: Clerk of the Commission
- SUBJECT: 2nd Addition to the 3/8/2022 Planning Commission Subdivision Committee Agenda

I. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- 1. Tentative Subdivision Map Approval
 - a. Subdivision Application S-2022-8
 - 3. Memorandum Number 2 to Planning Commission.



DEREK S.K. KAWAKAMI, MAYOR MICHAEL A. DAHILIG, MANAGING DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM NO. 2 TO PLANNING COMMISSION

RE:

Subdivision Application No. S-2022-8 Kukui'ula Parcel X, Phase 2 Subdivision

Applicant: BBCP Kukui'ula Parcel X, LLC. Et. Al.

ADDITIONAL FINDINGS

Attached for the Planning Commission's reference are public testimony concerning the above referenced subdivision:

• Correspondence from Councilmember Felicia Cowden received March 7, 2022.

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Kenneth A. Estes Staff Planner

Date: 03.07.2022

From:Darrellyne CaldeiraSent:Monday, March 7, 2022 12:55 PMTo:Planning DepartmentCc:Felicia Cowden; Jade Tanigawa; Scott Sato; Jenelle AgasSubject:Testimony Letter to Planning Commission re KukuiulaAttachments:Testimony Letter to Planning Commission re Kukuiula.pdf

Aloha Chair Ako and Members of the Planning Commission,

Attached is a testimony from Councilmember Cowden. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact her at (808) 241-4188.

Thank you,

Darrellyne M. Caldeira

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March 7, 2022

TESTIMONY OF FELICIA COWDEN COUNCILMEMBER, KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL ON F. NEW BUSINESS (FOR ACTION)

1. TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP APPROVAL. A. SUBDIVISION APPLICATION NO. S-2022-8 (BBCP KUKUI'ULA PARCEL X, LLC., ET AL.) KUKUI'ULA PARCEL X, PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION, PROPOSED 2-LOT CONSOLIDATION AND RESUBDIVISION INTO 4 LOTS, TMK: (4) 2-6-015:010 & 011, KŌLOA (MAKAI), KŌLOA, KONA, KAUA'I, 1) SUBDIVISION REPORT PERTAINING TO THIS MATTER Planning Commission of the County of Kaua'i Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Meeting Available Via Zoom

Dear Chair Ako and Members of the Planning Commission:

As an individual member of the Kaua'i County Council, I OPPOSE the above-referenced piecemeal Kukui'ula expansion. Rather than portions considered separately, a holistic evaluation is needed because what may appear to be negligible impact may actually be significant when the project is evaluated collectively.

Among my concerns regarding this location are: seabird and wetland habitat destruction; capacity for emergency regional movement in tsunami and flood conditions, especially in the event of a Waita Reservoir dam breach (not adequately studied, limited roads to enable evacuations with increases in population); strain on landfill capacity for increased luxury home construction debris; and monopolization of housing for local people that often occurs when tradespeople are brought over from off-island to build the luxury homes. Furthermore, once housing of this type is built, the new residents of these high-end developments typically are not people who enter the workforce in our local economy—we are losing the ability to house our essential workers across the range of skillsets, including small business owners, service workers, and the trades and professional classes.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (808) 241-4188.

Sincerely,

Elicia (owden

FELICIA COWDEN Councilmember, Kaua'i County Council

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