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1	5/5/15	James Oyama Facebook comment	Parks and Recreations	Līhu‘e needs a nice little league park, like Kapa‘a and Kōloa.	Comment Noted.
2	5/5/15	Isa4s Instagram comment	Curbside recycling	Kaua‘i needs curbside recycling.	Comment Noted.
3	5/5/15	Jose Bulatao, Jr. comment on website		<p>Mahalo for the opportunity to have community residents from regional areas throughout the island of Kauai to gather to focus on the realm of possibilities about the Kauai General Plan Update. A subject of this magnitude can be quite engrossing, and therefore, overwhelming, so the following options should be considered to expedite the ways in which we can inter-relate effectively:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please have written summaries of the main points which need to be conveyed. To orally explain the multitude of information takes too much time and does not allow for much inter-action if most of the time is being used to orally transmit the relevant information necessary.</li> <li>2. If any of the information can be sent out to the public or if the public can access that information through this site beforehand, this approach may also be helpful, as well.</li> <li>3. Should any relevant displays and/or power-point presentations be made, those should be brief and for referential purposes, only. Again, please keep to a minimum, the type of approach where a number of oral presentations are made for the public to absorb, one after the other. For the public-at-large, most people have a difficult time absorbing too much</li> </ol>	Consultant response: Mahalo Jose! We appreciate your input very much and will take it to heart when preparing for the community meetings. We hope to see you there.

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4	5/7/15	Michael A. Ceurvost comment on website	GP Process	Where’s the current plan and who introduces the changes? How much of this is a public process?	<p>Consultant response: Thank you for reaching out. The current 2000 General Plan is now posted on the website under the Plan → Resources tab.</p> <p>The project team (comprised by County Planning Department staff and consultants) collects community input regarding policy recommendations for the General Plan update and integrates it with data and technical studies that were completed for the GP.</p> <p>The community provides input regarding island-wide issues and recommendations for addressing them through county policy or projects. The General Plan is the community’s vision for addressing growth on Kaua‘i. The process also involves a Citizens Advisory Committee including representatives island wide.</p> <p>The community will have opportunities to provide input</p>

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					<p>throughout the process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– During the first round of community meetings this month;</li> <li>– By attending regular meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee (open to the public and schedules/agendas posted online);</li> <li>– Digital engagement through social media and the website;</li> <li>– Direct e-mail at <a href="mailto:plankauai@kauai.gov">plankauai@kauai.gov</a>;</li> </ul> <p>The Draft Plan is expected to be released for public review and comment during the Summer of 2016, after which it is revised and submitted to Planning Commission, followed by County Council.</p> <p>We have updated the website with more details on the process since your initial comment, and have also posted the community meeting overview presentation and agenda. Please take a look at the website and feel free to be in touch with any feedback at <a href="mailto:plankauai@kauai.gov">plankauai@kauai.gov</a>.</p>

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5	5/15/15	Debra Kekaulua Facebook comment	Future of Kaua‘i	<p>Disability precludes unable to face-to-face, however, make no mistake there are many like myself simply looking for truthful and worthwhile humanity in our surrounds that can engage sometimes out of the box protocols instilled without starting then stopping IE. A shuttle dissed, due to monetary concerns that we the people taxed to death already hasn't pad for....yadayada but also to support and have empathy for the Keiki O ka 'Aina generations out priced for folks that can and have overrun 'ohana to the point of begging for help and someone to wake up. Before it is worsened by billionaire intents dairy? Pristine mahaulepu what are you folks smoking? Land 'owners'! Place a moratorium on vehicles. No more vehicles of any kind until a like amount of vehicles are shipped out. This should deter the expected Quadruple population from 2020 from 60s 30k. What is the plan to address host culture concerns about every facet of these same surrounds county to county to Federal. Many watch dogs that have predated me underground, but it is literally for the safety of my surrounds. Besides quadruple population we already have quadrupled people in elevated places undereducated in the director seats they move around to, definitely without integrity to public observations, knowledge or inability of public employment ops, starting HR nepoborder exchange criminal story lines. Sorry I know not your kuleana, just standing by due diligence and aloha.</p>	Comment Noted.

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6	5/16/15	Patricia Hebson	Fresh water resources	<p>Because of diseases that occurred on Big Island from water catchment, this should be allowed only if purification is instilled with yearly government inspections and power to regulate.</p> <p>Water committee run by boards in each Island that is the decision maker to get County and State to function on needs with authority to fine State or County when they do not do their action within a specific time line, run by individuals – not corporate. Include use of irrigation systems in this.</p> <p>Existing Irrigation system should be used to produce hydro thru re-pump up during evenings and their power to re-pump comes from P.V. collected during the daytime.</p>	Written Comment from Community Meeting
7	5/16/15	Michael Morgan comment on website		Could you post the slides from the second half of the community event presentations?	<p>Consultant response: The second half of the presentation has been added to the post. Find the updated post here:</p> <p><a href="http://plankauai.com/heres-whats-on-at-the-community-meetings/">http://plankauai.com/heres-whats-on-at-the-community-meetings/</a></p>
8	5/18/15	Patricia J. Agustin M Facebook comment		I hope the County of Kaua'i, the Kaua'i County Planning Department, and Wilcox Elementary School can work together to alleviate the new congestion now that there is no room for those picking up their children from the school front entrance to pull onto the side of Hardy Street. Since the installation of the	Kaua'i County Planning Department response: Thank you Patricia. We have shared your comment with the Department of Transportation, Kauai Branch.

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				median, those waiting in line to drive into the front entrance of school (across the public library) has blocked other drivers to drive through Hardy right before school ends. I was sitting in traffic before the Hardy/Umi Street intersection nearer to KCFCU. If the school and county do not work out a solution for drivers picking up students, this will cause traffic problems once the new school year begins.	
9	5/19/15	Ira McRoberts, Kōloa Resident E-mail to Plankauai email address	Response to Community meeting e-mail blast	<p>Something came up at the last minute on Friday, can you give me a recap of the Koloa meeting?</p> <p>If there is time my only input would of been to better maintain public areas, first most the County is fairly good about mow the sides of the road ways but because of the climate and surrounding environment the grass is over taking over most of the edges of the roadways (like Koloa Bypass) or walkways (along Poipu Bypass)' in some places as much as 18". If this could be cleared back it will look more presentable to locals and tourists how use them for exercise and fun.</p>	County response on 5/19 promised: Meeting summaries will be posted online in a week or two.
10	5/19/15	Laurie Makaneole e-mail to Plan Kauai	Response to Community meeting e-mail blast	Thank you for having your meetings in the community, most folks I know have difficulties to get to Friday night meetings and Saturday morning... people have busy schedules I find Tuesday and Wednesday evenings are preferred for community meetings. but then the places aren't always available too... thank you	Comment noted.
11	5/20/15				Thanks for reaching out. The second half of the presentation

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12	6/04/15	Patricia Agustin Facebook Comment	Līhu‘e Community Traffic	<p>Please have the stoplights on Kamualii Highway fronting Kukui grove (and soon Hokulea Village) coordinate better. It’s frustrating when waiting at the beginning of one light, only to catch the next light and having to wait at the beginning again at the second stop light. When a vehicle is waiting at the front of the first stop light, that vehicle should be able to pass through the next intersection.</p> <p>I Hope the county of Kaua‘i, the Kaua‘i County Planning Department, and Wilcox Elementary School can work together to alleviate the new congestion now that there is no room for those picking up their children from the school front entrance to pull onto the side of Hardy Street. Since the installation of the median, those waiting in line to drive into the front entrance of the school (across the public library) has blocked other drivers to drive through Hardy right before school ends. I was sitting in traffic before the Hardy./Umi street intersection nearer to KCFCU. If the school and county do not work out a solution for</p>	Comment Noted.

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13	7/5/15	Georges Auberger email to Plan Kauai	Kauai General Plan	<p>Just found out about this site and the process for general plan. Great job on making this transparent and accessible to the community.</p> <p>Happy to see that multimode transportation is being considered. I'm originally from California and live (part-time for now) in Kilauea. Being an avid cyclist, I've been riding in many roads around San Francisco Bay Area and in cities around the Peninsula. I've rarely been worried about traffic and commuted for thousands of miles per year on a bike.</p> <p>I have to say that riding on Kuhio hwy does not feel very safe at all. The car drive too fast, and the shoulder are not well maintained. It's such a shame that this simple form of transportation is not made more of a priority. There should be more bike lanes, path, etc. around the island. Speed should be limited to 40 mph max. Having cars drive 50+ mph on the road makes it more dangerous for everybody else.</p>	Comment noted.
14	7/5/15	Valerie Weiss comment on website	Environment and Sustainability	My concerns are the environment and sustainability. We need to preserve ag land. We need to stop trying to increase visitor numbers until our infrastructure can handle it. We need development reigned in until we have adequate roads upgraded for our current traffic load. Until we plan for what we already have there is no sustainability. Lastly we need	Consultant response: Your comments are very much appreciated, and consistent with many themes we've heard from the community. Thank you for taking the time to send them. We are compiling all input so it can

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				<p>to prepare for future growth by requiring highway setbacks for new construction on our main roads, so that when the time comes to widen them, we can. Case in point Anahola Solar right on the highway with virtually no setback for future road expansion. Additionally to preserve the ambiance that is Kauai apparently we need an oversight architectural and siting committee to approve new construction plans insuring preservation of existing Kauai style. Case in point again Anahola Solar industrial substation, the huge Longs in Kapa‘a out of place on the makai side of the highway and the new condos next to Hanalei Fire station at Princeville. Old funk has charm, new cheap condos, industrial substations and huge drug stores in the wrong place are out of place and tacky. Let's not continue to do this to Kauai.</p>	<p>be referenced and put to use in the planning and policy development process. Please be sure to join the e-mail list if you haven't already to stay informed on the process, and feel free to send comments in writing anytime or come to an upcoming event. The Plan Kauai team will be at the Farm Fair in August if you'd like to check in with the project.</p>
15	7/8/15	Dorothea Hayashi Comment Sheet hand delivered to County Planning Department	General comments	<p>Thank you for working on the update of our General Plan for the Hanapepe and ‘Ele‘ele area and also for extending your help in getting <u>more</u> local participation. I would appreciate it if you would also be able to include on your question period. How many of the participants are residents or businesses or combination of business-resident. I believe the participation and desires may differ and should help in discussions.</p> <p>Personally I welcome our representatives attending these meetings. However could we ask that they listen to the public’s comments and try to refrain from</p>	

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				<p>promoting their agendas? We should not be intimidated to fully participate by having comments at this time. I realize there are desires that cannot be met but let us say what we may and the end result will also include, I am sure, our political bodies.</p>	
16	8/4/15	<p><a href="mailto:antipalaranch@gmail.com">antipalaranch@gmail.com</a> to Plankauai email address</p>		<p>1. Before absolutely any single new development is approved, traffic jams - especially on the east side - must be addressed. Consider when a car accident shuts down the highway for hours. Plane and cruise ship departures are missed, causing major stress to both visitors and residents. Imagine alternate routes open and operating smoothly. What a relief.</p> <p>2. Lighten up on the persecution of B&amp;B's and home stays. Why force visitors to spend big bucks in corporate (Westins, Starwoods, Hyatt, timeshare) pockets. Where's the aloha ... Such hypocrisy in allowing empty residential homes to be visitor rentals, but not if the owner lives on the same premises. Private landowners/homeowners should have freedom to create whatever they like on their own personal premises. A man's home is his castle. No one is going to build a hog farm on your street. Throw out the zoning laws and trust the citizens.</p> <p>3. Make space and develop a first class equine center. The county maintains public ballparks, tennis courts, swimming pools and recreation centers. But nothing for the hundreds of horseback riders. At one time, years ago, riders were teased into believing the Kealia</p>	<p>County response on 8/5/2015: Mahalo for your input and comments! I am forwarding them to our project consultant. If you haven't already, please sign up for our email blasts. We'll be holding additional community outreach events in November.</p>

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17	8/5/15	Suzanne Kashiwaeda e-mail to Plankauai email address		As a resident who has seen the gradual urbanization of this island, the widening disparity of haves and have nots, could we not switch the direction of our priorities from ‘resort destination’ to ‘ISLAND HOME?’ If we treat the Island as our home, perhaps we’d take better care of the land and our entire ohana; view visitors as our guests.  I appreciate being kept in the loop.	County response on 8/5/2015: Thank you Suzanne for your comments... I am forwarding them to our project consultant. We are currently in the visioning stage, but will be holding additional community outreach events in November. Stay tuned!
18	11/3/15	Valerie Weisse email to Plan Kauai	Tourism	My suggestion is to do an audit of the vacation rental program since laws were established 7 years ago. We need to know how much we have spent and if the goals of lower home prices and increased rentals have occurred.	Melissa White response on 7/24/15: Aloha Valerie, Your comments are very much appreciated, and consistent with many themes we’ve heard from the community. Thank you of for taking the time to send them. We are compiling all input so it can be referenced and put to use in the planning and policy development process. Please be sure to join the e-mail list if you haven’t already to stay informed on the process, and feel free to send comments in writing

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19	12/7/15	Makaala Kaaumoana email to Marie Williams and CAC members	Policy language in the GP regarding endangered species	<p>Aloha kakou, I am interested in the current policy language in the working General Plan regarding endangered species. Can someone please tell me what is in the draft now?</p> <p>Reply to M. Williams: Mahalo Marie, I appreciate the quick response and the cc to Melissa White. My concern is focused on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The County of Kauai has just completed Federal probation for "incidental take" of endangered species, Newell's Shearwater and Hawaiian Petrels as a result of unshielded light on County property</li> <li>• The County must develop a Habitat Conservation Plan which is not yet complete</li> <li>• The Federal court may review the progress, or lack thereof, of this matter at any time.</li> <li>• I represent (as a member) Hui Ho'omalulu i ka 'Aina as the plaintiff in this matter , legal representation is provided by earthjustice, Honolulu</li> </ul>	<p>Marie Williams' email response on 12/8/15: Thanks for your email regarding endangered species policy language in the General Plan Update. We are in the midst of our topical discussion schedule with the CAC and do not have a draft plan ready for public review. If everything continues on schedule, the public draft will be released early summer 2016.</p> <p>In regards to endangered species, we have met and consulted with several groups and agencies from the Nene HCP to the Kaua'i Forest Bird Recovery Project. It is certainly an important subject that is largely absent from the existing General Plan, so we intend to adequately address it this round.</p>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I was a member of the County of Kauai Feral Cat Task Force and am now a member of the Feral Cat Ordinance committee, we are drafting an ordinance to address the issue of "cats on the landscape" and predation by cats on endangered and protected (Migratory Bird Treaty Act) species.</li> <li>• I would expect to see <b>policy language</b> in the Kauai General Plan regarding this issue and the County's plan to address cats (predators and invasive species) on County property.</li> <li>• The State of Hawaii is producing such a policy as well for State property.</li> </ul> <p>I would be happy to provide more information to your CAC should the opportunity arise and the need be expressed.</p>	<p>On that note – please feel free to provide us with recommendations or draft language.</p> <p>FYI – I am copying our consultant, Melissa White.</p>
20	2/12/16	Outlook Team email to plankauai	Hanapēpē/ Ele‘ele  Assorted comments	<p>I participated in the 11/2/15 walk/bus tour of Hanapepe &amp; 'Ele'ele. Thanks for putting that together for the community.</p> <p>FYI: I live the the Hanapepe River Valley, outside the 5-minute walk radius and it's actually more like a 20 minute walk to Hanapepe Town. I had a small gallery in town and now am part-owner of a coffee shop. I am a regular walker and bicyclist and prefer to minimize my driving. I never take the bus because it doesn't come frequently enough or go directly to where I need to go. But I have lived several times in dense urban areas without a car, happily relying on trains, buses,</p>	<p>Marie Williams email response on 1/29/16 Thank you so much for your comments. I apologize for the delayed response but I wanted to acknowledge that we received your email. We’ll be utilizing your comments in the update/revision of the Future Land Use Map.</p>

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				<p>and walking.</p> <p>I can't make the 11/4/15 meeting, but wanted to share some of my thoughts that emerged from the tour:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hanapepe Town should retain its character and ambiance.</li> <li>2. There are many derelict buildings and empty lots in town that could be infilled to create more density and diversity without contributing to sprawl or threatening more of our precious agricultural lands.</li> <li>3. The Aloha Theater is a wonderful landmark but a dangerous wreck of a building. It is falling in on itself and one day part of, or the entire building, will collapse potentially causing injury and property damage. This building is central to town and could be replaced with a replica something like the Banana Patch Studio building housing. It's a large structure and, depending on how it was rebuilt, it could serve as a community focus and gathering place.</li> <li>4. A site dedicated to the history of the area would be attractive to tourists and residents alike and promote the preservation of the many cultural histories that make up the west side of Kauai.</li> <li>5. Hanapepe stadium/sports complex are important resources for the entire west side and should be retained and improved to</li> </ol>	

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				<p>support a growing population. The neighborhood center is also important to the community and needs to grow with the community.</p> <p>6. A traffic light and left turn lanes at Kona Road and the highway would make that important corridor--library to park to post office to main street of town--a better and safer connection.</p> <p>7. Pedestrian/bicycle access and safety are important to make the entire area more user-friendly and to help maximize access for those choosing not to drive.</p> <p>8. Bus service needs to be more frequent and bus stops need to have shelters. If getting to Lihue was faster, more people might choose the bus over their car.</p> <p>9. The 'Ele'ele shopping center is the commercial center of Hanapepe/'Ele'ele. As houses are built, the shopping center needs to expand to centralize where residents can meet their needs without always driving to Lihue.</p> <p>10. Connecting Port Allen, 'Ele'ele, Hanapepe, and Salt Pond via walking/bicycling paths would benefit all local residents and would be attractive to tourists.</p> <p>11. The entire issue of 'Ele'ele is somewhat of a conundrum to me. It seems to have no core and has a suburban flavor (as does Hanapepe Heights). I suppose the shopping center is the core, but it's not really 5 minutes from a good</p>	

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				<p>way to light it (not street-type lighting, but to show it off) with some type of not too bright solar lighting, it would be visible to visitors even after dark.</p> <p>16. An area not really addressed was the commercial area the runs along the highway from the pharmacy/library to Salt Pond Store/Habitat for Humanity. Traffic, especially entrance and exit from businesses, can be difficult. Walking/bicycling access along the highway to the various business should be improved.</p>	
21	12/8/15	Palmer Hafdahl email to plankauai	Exclusion of S + E Kaua‘i in GP	<p>Remind me why the South and East communities were not included.</p> <p>Is it due to the recently adopted and or ongoing community plans in those regions/towns?</p>	<p>Marie Williams response on 1/28/16: I am so sorry for the late response! Your question is very relevant. Hanapēpe-Eleele, Waimea-Kekaha and North Shore Planning Districts have had zero to very little community planning done since the 2000 General Plan. The other planning districts had either recently approved plans or draft plans. We will integrate the work of those plans into the General Plan Future Land Use Map.</p> <p>However, stay tuned... we’ll take the draft Future Land Use Map</p>

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					<p>out to the public in the next few months.</p> <p>I hope this helps... let me know if you have additional questions.</p>
22	1/17/16	Dorothy Perry email to plankauai	Traffic concerns	<p>Please do something and don't make the Kapa‘a traffic situation worse by adding additional developments. Lihue town begs for development but does not have the roads to support it but it is the place for planning development..</p> <p>I know that you must also live here and experience the sadness of seeing our county used without much concern for our quality of life. Please do something to help the traffic situation and not add more problems for residents of Kauai.</p>	<p>Lea K. email response on 1/29/16: Your frustration over traffic in Kapa‘a is certainly noted and your email has been passed along to both our consultants and transportation planner, as well as incorporated into our community input process.</p> <p>Kindly note that no actual public or private development projects are being proposed in the General Plan process. However, a map showing desired land use patterns, recommendations for policy changes and shared actions, as well as direction for capital spending are key elements within the General Plan. We hope you will continue to participate!</p>
23	1/17/16	Forwarded email from Scott Oakley to	Kapa‘a Traffic	Those living in Kapaa or driving through this once peaceful town, have experienced maddening bumper to bumper traffic inching along the highway and/or	Lea K. email response on 1/29/16: Mahalo for taking time to send us your mana'o regarding

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				<p>If you can't make GPU/CUC meeting Tues, Jan 19 or don't want to speak, you can send in comments to the County Planning Dept. the following ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fax 241-6699</li> <li>2. email:<a href="mailto:plankauai@kauai.gov">plankauai@kauai.gov</a></li> <li>3. Drop off at front desk of Planning Dept "Attn. Lea GPU"</li> <li>4. Go to website: plankauai.com which gives more options to send it, e.g. Instagram.</li> </ol> <p>I intend to speak during the comment period of the next meeting. Written comments can also be turned in to the CAC at that time or mailed. One point is that up-zoning from Agriculture to Urban of the proposed massive 800 house development, Hokua Place, behind the, Kapa‘a Middle School, needs to be stopped. Additional 1600 vehicles pouring into downtown Kapa‘a or onto the bypass, plus a commercial center, will make us insane. Therefore I will ask the GPU and CUC members go back to the last GPU document of year 2000, and delete the recommendation that 93 Agricultural acres behind the middle school be up-zoned to Urban.</p> <p>Scott Oakley: Aloha to planners. Basically, one way north on 56 from Safeway. If you want to go South, you got to take the bypass road. No more gridlock at Safeway – turn tow lane into one lane.</p>	

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24	1/17/16	Robert Rowny email to plankauai	Traffic/ Developme nt in Kapaa	I have been a resident of Kauai for the past 26 years. I live in Kapahi. The traffic in Kapaa is a nightmare & only getting worse. Why allow more development (more cars) without the adequate infrastructure? That is insanity. I know that money has power over decisions... but without quality of life, no one will want to live here. Please make wise decisions for the citizens who now live here & for the future.	Lea K. response on 2/2/16: Kindly note that no actual public or private development projects are being proposed in the General Plan process. However, a map showing desired land use patterns, recommendations for policy changes and shared actions, as well as direction for capital spending are key elements within the General Plan. We hope you will continue to participate!
25	1/18/16	Scott Oakley email to plankauai	Kapa‘a Traffic potential solution	Aloha, I sat down last week with a map of Kapa‘a. Knowing that an hour glass slows the flow of sand, and traffic (at Safeway), I took a red and blue marker to the map. From Wailua river to Safeway is two-way traffic. North of Safeway is One-way. Two- way begins again at PonoKai resort. Coming from the north, most traffic directed onto Wailua bypass Rd. Or at ABC store which is 2way to the circle. Using Red / Orange traffic cones, this plan could be tried for a few weeks. See how much it helps. Eventually the highway from the bypass to Hwy 580 will need one more lane. With traffic moving in one direction it eliminates people stopping traffic while they wait to make a turn (unless there is a turn lane). Mahalo for considering.	Lea K. email response on 1/29/16: These comments are also being passed forward. We appreciate you taking time to recommend solutions!

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26	1/18/16	Holly Harris email to plankauai	Kapa‘a Traffic potential solutions	<p>As a resident of Kauai I am requesting that the county and state seek immediate funding to support the roads on Kauai. As you know our main route is Kūhiō Highway. When heading north to the Princeville area the road passes through Kapa‘a. I live in Kapa‘a and enjoy the community that exists in this region. However getting from the airport heading north the traffic can be impossible. By design there are two lanes of northbound traffic This works until the town of Kapa‘a is reached. The road then becomes one lane going north and one lane going south. The traffic slows through town and traffic lights "adjust the flow" from the nearby businesses. This can be quite charming if there is plenty of time.</p> <p>Conversely the route going to Lihue and the airport is one lane through town and continues on south, UNLESS the cones are out and then two lanes exist for a period of time every day. Now this is fine if my timing and of course the timing of all the employees, local residents and the tourists is correct. Once the bottleneck through town is overcome then it is a fairly smooth trip.</p> <p>This is a most ingenious system but requires 2 trucks and five employees or more, to set up the cones and then return to remove the cones every day. The workers are paid and the truck and cones come at a cost also. Since this goes on day- by -day, month by</p>	<p>Lea K. email response on 2/2/16: Mahalo for your suggestions for improving traffic in the Kapa‘a corridor! Your email has been passed along to both our General Plan consultants and County transportation planner, as well as incorporated into our community input process.</p> <p>Kindly note that this is the email is for the General Plan Update process, which is coordinated by the County Planning Department. Council members may be contacted via <a href="mailto:Councilmembers@kauai.gov">Councilmembers@kauai.gov</a>.</p> <p>In addition, no actual public projects are voted on in the General Plan process. The General Plan Land Use Map will illustrate desired land use patterns (island wide), recommendations for policy changes and shared actions, as well as direction for capital spending.</p>

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				<p>month, year- by -year the cost adds up. It would seem that there would be a better solution.</p> <p>I have observed that along some of the route there is area that could support another lane. Thus two lanes would go south and two lanes would go north. However some areas are more difficult and would require redesign or removal of buildings to create the extra lane. Of course this would be expensive but since Kauai is a county in the State of Hawaii finding and funding a solution is of the utmost importance.</p> <p>There have been numerous studies with no effort to resolve the situation. Please take action and make Kauai safe, modern and efficient by funding this project immediately. The residents of Kauai support the county and state government but the condition that currently exists indicates that Kauai is considered a lesser county and not worthy of the financial expenditures that results in the progress that exists on other islands.</p>	<p>We hope you will continue to participate!</p>
27	1/18/16	Myra Lewin email to plankauai	Kapa‘a traffic	<p>I am writing to express my concern for the addition of many cars from development in the Kapa‘a area. Kauai is known for being a lovely place to live and visit. If the traffic jams continue there will be great losses for everyone including quality of living as well as financial strain.</p> <p>Let’s be smart and do the foundation of proper roads before approving more development that will bring</p>	<p>Lea K. email response on 2/2/16: Mahalo nui loa for your email.</p> <p>Your frustration over traffic in Kapa‘a is certainly noted and your email has been passed along to both our consultants and transportation planner, as well as</p>

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				more cars to an already strained roadway. The other alternative is greed and none of us need to participate in that anymore.	incorporated into our community input process.
28	1/19/16	Myrica Morningstar email to plankauai	Kapa‘a Traffic	<p>I am writing because I have very strong feeling about the traffic issues we have on Kauai. Please strongly consider our limited infrastructure before approving any more development! It sometimes takes me several minutes to make a left turn onto the highway. This isn't right! And the glory and majesty of Kauai is largely due to the rural and unspoiled nature of our island. We do not want to move in the direction of Oahu!</p> <p>Everyone, everyone, whether resident or visitors mentions being stuck in Kapa‘a traffic! I don't even want to go to town and put it off as long as possible because of the traffic. We will lose our booming tourist support if we don't take some steps to relieve the traffic issues here. I envision less cars, rather than more!</p> <p>Even public transportation between populated centers and then electric cars to tour around. Please please do not promote more development here without an elegant solution for getting around the island.</p>	<p>Lea K. email response on 2/2/16: Your frustration over traffic in Kapa‘a is certainly noted and your email has been passed along to both our consultants and transportation planner, as well as incorporated into our community input process.</p> <p>Kindly note that no actual public or private development projects are being proposed in the General Plan process. However, a map showing desired land use patterns, recommendations for policy changes and shared actions, as well as direction for capital spending are key elements within the General Plan. We hope you will continue to participate!</p>
29	1/27/16	Nya Day email to plankauai	Transportation	I was not able to attend the GPU/CUC meeting on Tuesday, 1/19/16, so I just wanted to add my voice to those from whom you have already heard regarding	Lea K. email response on 1/29/16: Your frustration over traffic in Kapa‘a is certainly noted. Although the General Plan

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				<p>traffic concerns for serious consideration in creation of the new general plan.</p> <p>The concern of my family is that there are housing or hotel developments that appear to be going forward before sufficient traffic mitigation measures have been put in place. I attended the Wailuā-Kapa‘a Neighborhood Assoc. General Meeting in December, so I'm aware of the 5-10 year long term projects slated to help ameliorate the terrible East side traffic problem, but I didn't leave that meeting with assurance that they will solve the glut of traffic going both ways on Kūhiō Highway from Wailuā to the north side of Kapa‘a and beyond. Also, most importantly, many of these projects will not be in place until well after the Coco Palms Hotel opens in Wailua, the Hokuala ("Rising Star") plan for 700 residential units is developed in 4 stages (over the next 7 years), and the development behind the middle school in Kapaa is well underway. I'm especially concerned about the latter, as it couldn't be in a worse spot. More residential units, and even possibly small businesses, will cause even more vehicle congestion on Olohena Road and other streets in that area, already tied up with traffic. It looks like a nightmare in the making.</p> <p>Could the planners please consider not allowing these, and any other new developments, to be approved to open until the traffic congestion problems on Kuhio</p>	<p>nor the planners have direct authority to disallow development within areas already zoned for (.i.e.) resort, commercial use, or residences, the General Plan can provide policy recommendations and actions to address standards and land use patterns which may contribute to congestion. The General Plan Designations (land use map) will provide for the future desired/preferred land use. This map is the direct result of our community input process. Policy recommendations that direct changes in rules or capital expenditures are also essential elements within the General Plan.</p> <p>Mahalo again for your email. It has been passed along to both our consultants and transportation planner, as well as incorporated into our community input process.</p>

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				<p>Highway are resolved enough to truly handle more vehicles on the road? Thank you for listening. We are hopeful that our concerns, echoed by most everyone I've talked to, will be given serious attention.</p>	
30	1/29/16	Gabriela Taylor email to plankauai and Mike Dahilig	CAC/GP Update Meeting recommendations	<p>I am making requests for changes and would appreciate a response.</p> <p>1. It was requested at the last meeting that the CAC meetings be published ahead of time in TGI. Has anyone been assigned to do that and will continue to do it?</p> <p>2. The GPU is for public input yet the Web Site is out of date and confusing. Why do residents need to sign it? This site should be for general public information.</p> <p>The dates were changed for the last 2 meetings, Tourism is Feb 29 and Transportation is now in March. Please post those dates in a simple way to let us have an opportunity to attend.</p> <p>Please get the word out through TGI as well as update and redesign your web site ASAP to make it user friendly. Many have told they can't get need information online.</p> <p>3. Can the CAC meeting for Transportation be in Kapaa at night? I see that a previous meeting was held on the westside at night. Traffic is a huge concern for</p>	<p>Lea K. email response on 1/29/16: We appreciate you taking time to provide us with your comments regarding the General Plan Update process. We have passed along your email and have noted suggestions for changes to the website.</p> <p>Kindly note that the General Plan CAC is an advisory committee and no actual public or private development projects are being proposed or voted on during this process. Policies, actions, and a map showing desired land use patterns are our key deliverables within the General Plan. In addition, comments on topics are not limited to CAC meetings, and are welcomed via mail, fax, email, Facebook, through the website, or even during events that you see the General Plan booth/table at.</p>

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				<p>Kapaa/Wailua. The meeting should be held there at a time when people aren't at work. And the comment time for the public needs to be extended so all can speak for at least 3 mins.each. We were rushed along at the last meeting that allowed less than 15 minutes for public comments. It was only when I and others discovered when we arrived there, that comments on traffic/transportation would not be allowed. Most people left.</p> <p>4. Please engage a good sound system so that all of the reports, comments from the presenters can be heard in the back of the room by the public.</p> <p>My understanding is that the GPU will determine the future of our island and we deserve to have a say in that process. Please help us make this a democratic process where the CAC members will listen to public comments and represent us in their deliberation and conclusions.</p> <p>Thank you for your assistance in remedying the problems I have outlined. Please respond at the below email address.</p>	
31	2/2/16	Makaala Kaaumoana email to Marie Williams	Definitions	I am looking for the definitions of "place type" used in our upcoming general plan for Kaua'i. I would like to know the difference between "small town" and "village".	Marie W. email response on 2/2/16: Below is a link to a handout that explains the differences (see Page 2). I hope

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32	2/2/16	Marcia Harter letter sent via email to Marie Williams, Kaua'i Mayor, and Michael Dahilig	East Side Planning	<p>Aloha Maria,</p> <p>Please find attached a letter expressing my concerns about the planning process on the East Side.</p> <p>Regards,</p> <p>Marcia Harter, Anahola</p> <p>(Letter attachment not saved/available)</p> <p>&lt;Second email in chain from Marcia to Marie on 3/26/16&gt;</p> <p>Thank you so very much for your February 23rd update on the opportunities that east side residents have had to provide input into the General Plan. It is certainly much more extensive than I had originally understood. My apologies for the tardiness of my response, I have been traveling.</p> <p>However, in spite of the number of meetings noted in your message, in my mind they do not make up for the opportunity provided by the discovery process built into a charette. The north and west side communities have had the opportunity to discuss among themselves to establish group held priorities for the future. No such opportunity has been provided to the</p>	<p>Marie Williams email response to Marcia Hunter on 2/23/16:</p> <p>Aloha Marcia, Mahalo for the letter and phone call. We appreciate your involvement in the GP Update process. I want to clarify that we are utilizing community input collected during the following events and processes specific to East Kaua'i:</p> <p><a href="#">East Kaua'i Community Plan Update Process</a> Community Visioning Meetings (2006) 20 CAC meetings (2006 – 2014) Community Open House (October 2014)</p> <p><a href="#">General Plan Open House in Kapa'a (May 21, 2015)</a></p> <p><a href="#">General Plan Pop-Up Week</a></p>

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				<p>east side communities. And, yet, it seems these communities are feeling the greatest pressure from growth and traffic congestion.</p> <p>Input to a proposal in no way takes the place of a cooperative community process with time to sift through individual priorities and struggle together with group problem solving to arrive at a consensus on a community direction.</p> <p>I sincerely hope that Kaua‘i County will provide the east side communities the same opportunities as the north and west side communities have had to have a thoughtful voice in their future.</p> <p>Again, thank you for your prompt and thorough responses to my questions.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Marcia Harter</p>	<p>Kapa‘a Sunshine Market (May 6, 2015)</p> <p>Ka Ala Hele Makalae/East Kaua‘i Path (May 6, 2015)</p> <p><a href="#">DHHL Anahola Regional Plan (2010)</a>  <a href="#">DHHL Anahola Town Center Conceptual Land Use Plan (2009)</a></p> <p>HoKua Place, Section 343-5e HRS DEIS            Testimony to the LUC ( 2015)</p> <p>At the General Plan November workshops, we focused on the North Shore, Hanapēpē-Eleele, and Waimea-Kekaha Planning Districts since they had zero to very little prior community planning work completed since 2000.</p> <p>Also, we will be returning to all planning districts for another round of community outreach once the draft land use map and plan is ready for review.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>&lt;Second response sent 2/23/16&gt;            Hi again...            Reread the email thread and saw that <a href="mailto:Councilmemberw@kauai.gov">Councilmemberw@kauai.gov</a> was used in the first email (which I responded to). However, I don't</p>

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					<p>think that is a correct email address. I believe the general email to all councilmembers is: <a href="mailto:councilmembers@kauai.gov">councilmembers@kauai.gov</a> .</p> <p>-----</p> <p>&lt;Third response sent 3/8/16&gt;            Good Morning Marcia:            Thanks for the response. Your input is being considered as we plan the remainder of our public process. Stay tuned for updates at PlanKauai.com or <a href="http://www.facebook.com/kauaiplanning">www.facebook.com/kauaiplanning</a>.</p> <p>Mahalo again,            Marie</p>
33	2/3/16	Carl Imparato response on 2/3/16 to Makaala Kaaumoana and Marie Williams	Place Typing		<p>Carl Imparato response on 2/3/16: Thank you for forwarding.</p> <p>The proposed designation of Hanalei as a "small town" rather than a "village" should be a real concern, as it would set Hanalei up for more intense development in the future, as the vision for a "town" is a vision of more intense development than the vision for a "village."</p> <p>Why isn't Hanalei a village, rather than a town? The population of</p>

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					<p>Kilauea CDP is 2,800, while the population of Hanalei = 500 (and even if one takes the total population of Hanalei + Wainiha + Ha'ena, it is only 1,200).</p> <p>Even under the consultants's definitions below, Hanalei is a village, not a town. It is "at the edge of the rural... condition; it has "a main street with surrounding residential areas, this however transitions quickly into agricultural uses and/or natural environment"; it is "scaled to the size of one single neighborhood." It is not more than one neighborhood.</p> <p>It seems to me that one problem is that the consultants may be trying to force Kauai's communities to fit into the mold that the consultants have pre-defined in their past work and now market as their product.</p> <p>And while I hope that the basic concept that the consultants are trying to push (FBC) would never</p>

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					<p>be adopted here on Kauai, I am nonetheless concerned that setting up Hanalei as a "small town" rather than a "village" could have especially bad consequences for our community down the road under the FBC approach.</p> <p>So I think that we need to fight against this proposed mis-designation of Hanalei as a town rather than a village tooth-and-nail.</p> <p>As a related matter: I am also concerned by the statements that <i>"a possible parallel, multi-use trail mauka of Kuhio Hwy, which could connect community civic uses between the single row of existing buildings and existing agricultural lands" and "trail connections... between Hanalei and Princeville were also discussed as an alternative, recreational option for pedestrians and bicyclists."</i> (Other than Ben</p>

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					<p>Welborn, I have never run into anyone in Hanalei who really believes that a costly bike path from Hanalei to Princeville would ever be used by more than tourists and a few "true believer" bicycle advocates.)</p> <p>Carl</p> <p><i>Village. Located in less urbanized areas, small villages exist at the edge of the rural and urban condition. A village has a main street with surrounding residential areas; this however transitions quickly into agricultural uses and/or into the natural environment. Historic examples of small villages include Kīlauea on the North Shore and Lāwa‘i in South Kaua‘i. They are typically scaled to about the size of one single neighborhood.</i></p> <p><i>Small Town. Located in more urbanized areas, large villages are made up of clusters of neighborhoods that can support</i></p>

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					<p><i>a larger mixed-use environment. The mixed-use environment can be located at the intersection of multiple neighborhoods or along a corridor between multiple neighborhoods. Historic examples of small towns include Kōloa Town in South Kaua'i and Waimea Town in Waimea. They are typically scaled to about the size of 2-3 neighborhoods.</i></p>
34	2/22/16	Marcia Harter Letter, sent via e-mail to Planning Commission and Planning Department	East Kaua'i involvement in GP process	<p>First, I want to express my appreciation for your service on the Planning Commission and the efforts you put forth to constructively address all the difficult issues that come across your desk.</p> <p>I am a resident of Anahola. I recently attended the Community Advisory meeting of the General Plan Update. I am so glad I attended as I discovered a significant and critical gap in the General Plan Update process.</p> <p>As I listened to the summaries of the inclusive and thorough charette process held in six north and west side communities I was surprised to see no reference to any of the three communities on the East Side, Wailua, Kapa'a, and Anahola. All of these</p>	<p>Marie Williams Response via e-mail on 2/23/16</p> <p>Mahalo for the letter and phone call. We appreciate your involvement in the GP Update process. I want to clarify that we are utilizing community input collected during the following events and processes specific to East Kaua'i:</p> <p>East Kaua'i Community Plan Update Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Visioning Meetings (2006)</li> </ul>

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				<p>communities were identified on the Island-Wide Place Types Diagram distributed at the meeting. During the public response, I asked why these three communities had not been discussed in today’s presentation. I was referred to Long Range Program Manager, Marie Williams.</p> <p>After the meeting was adjourned, I asked Ms. Williams why there had been no report on General Plan Updates from Wailua, Kapa’a, and Anahola. She responded that there hadn’t been any charette or Community Place Typing Workshops in these three communities.</p> <p>When I asked how General Plan Updates were going to be developed for the East Side communities without this kind of input, she explained that there had been a planning meeting in Kapa’a in 2005. This process was not completed, she said. The planning staff were going to use the data collected at that time along with comments they had received over the years to develop an East Side Land Use Plan. The Planning staff would bring this document to the community for response.</p> <p>I was amazed that the East Side communities would be treated so unequally from the rest of Kaua’i.</p> <p>Using ten year old data and random comments coming in to the Planning Department cannot in any way elicit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 CAC meetings (2006 – 2014)</li> <li>• Community Open House (October 2014)</li> </ul> <p>General Plan Open House in Kapa’a (May 21, 2015)</p> <p>General Plan Pop-Up Week</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kapa’a Sunshine Market (May 6, 2015)</li> <li>• Ka Ala Hele Makalae/East Kaua'i Path (May 6, 2015)</li> </ul> <p>DHHL Anahola Regional Plan (2010)</p> <p>DHHL Anahola Town Center Conceptual Land Use Plan (2009)</p> <p>HoKua Place, Section 343-5e HRS DEIS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Testimony to the LUC ( 2015)</li> </ul> <p>At the General Plan November workshops, we focused on the North Shore, Hanapēpē-Eleele, and Waimea-Kekaha Planning Districts since they had zero to</p>

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				<p>the kind of in-depth thoughtful thinking that would come from members of a community participating together in a multiday workshop process providing multiple opportunities for input and feedback.</p> <p>Community members talking to one another about issues and concerns in their communities over a couple of days provides the opportunity to examine ideas in some depth, to problem solve, to come up with alternative solutions, to come to some consensus, but at least to some to some understanding and appreciation of the interests of your neighbors. The three north shore and three west side communities all had this opportunity. Ms. Williams said, I believe, that a similar process had taken place in the south shore communities previously.</p> <p>Members of East Side communities have not had the opportunity to participate together in exercises to determine their shared vision for the future. With out such a process, I think it is shortsighted of the Planning Department to expect meaningful East Side planning.</p> <p>The East Side is under tremendous pressure as a result of growth in the area. I think it is critical that each of these different communities be given the opportunity provided to the west side and north shore communities to fully participate in Community Place</p>	<p>very little prior community planning work completed since 2000.</p> <p>Also, we will be returning to all planning districts for another round of community outreach once the draft land use map and plan is ready for review.</p>

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				<p>Types and Degree-of-Change Visioning Workshops to identify their vision and plan for their future.</p> <p>I respectfully request that staff and resources be allocated to conduct such workshops in Wailua, Kapa‘a and Anahola with all the support necessary as was provided the communities of Haena, Hanalei, Kilauea, Kalaheo, Hanapepe, and Kekaha. And, only after these workshops have taken place, data collected and compiled are land use planning and General Plan development considered.</p> <p>Please support the East Side communities as they plan for their future by providing such a process for them.</p> <p>It is only fair.</p>	
35	4/14/16	Felicia Alongi Cowden email to George Costa, Marie Williams, Leanora Kaiaokamalie, and Nalani Brun	East Kaua‘i/ NorthEast Corridor nonprofit stakeholder s and interests for agriculture	<p>Aloha George, Leanora and Marie, This e-mail is intended to offer some easy information to cut and paste into the General Plan Update information that felt notable absent last time in the agriculture snapshot.</p> <p>Please use what you can. This is shared in the spirit of helpfulness. The emphasis of this letter is about the NorthEast Corridor as that is the region in which I and most of the beneficiaries of this suggestion live. It is certainly hoped that the best of these ideas could be applied to other regions who may share the same interest.</p> <p>Key officers of the various organizations that support agriculture in this region are likely to be at the</p>	Comment noted.

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				<p><b>April 19th meeting for the General Plan Update - Agriculture meeting 2:30-5:30 at the county offices to support your effort in representing our needs.</b></p> <p><b><u>The largest challenges are economic:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land costs</li> <li>• Water distribution</li> <li>• Worker Housing</li> <li>• Labor intensive farming methods</li> <li>• zoning restrictions</li> <li>• Distribution &amp; Marketing</li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting small farm, local food production with farm-friendly policy is in alignment with the state food production objectives and the County of Kauai’s HoloHolo 2020 plan.</b></p> <p><b>Please adapt the GPU Agriculture vision to include defining the North-East corridor of Kaua`i as a local food production area for Small Scale Farmsteads.</b></p> <p>This would range from Kapahi to Hanalei.</p> <p><b>There are (please correct number based on county records) roughly 500 small farms that have some degree of food production in the north-east region.</b></p> <p><b>These are existing non-profit organizations that support Agriculture in the region - We largely work cooperatively with each other.</b></p>	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hawaii Farmers Union United - Kauai Chapter</b></li> <li>• <b>Kalalea Anahola Farmers</b></li> <li>• <b>Moloa`a Irrigation Cooperative</b></li> <li>• <b>Kilauea Community Agriculture Center</b></li> <li>• <b>Regenerations Botanical Garden</b></li> <li>• <b>Malama Kaua`i</b></li> <li>• <b>Waipa Foundation</b></li> <li>• <b>Go-Farm farmer training</b></li> <li>• <b>Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers Association</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Economic partnership bridges to avail farm lands that can otherwise be unaffordable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Opportunities</u> for the hundreds of <u>younger agriculture</u> workers and entrepreneurs are underway through various land-collaboration formats.</b></li> <li>• <b>Numerous farming collaborations have developed to share resources; two examples are <a href="#">Kealia Farms</a>, and WaiKoa Plantation.</b></li> <li>• <b>Benevolent partnerships are occurring in which wealthier land-owners are fostering agricultural incubation projects because it aligns with their value system.</b></li> <li>• <b>Farm-lot owners managing the balance of working professional careers or business ownership with growing crops through having a farm manager living on the property who handles the food production</b></li> </ul>	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have two new commercial kitchens available for public use at Waipa Foundation in Hanalei and at the North Shore Christian Church in Kilauae.</li> </ul> <p><b>Support business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revitalization of the soil from the exhaustion of industrial agriculture practices to productive, healthy rich soils for the niche market of organic farming is collectively happening on a regional level. This can be a landscape service business.</li> <li>• Office of Economic Development sponsored a grant that is in process to verify the effectiveness of utilizing the Korean Natural Farming Method to metabolize and eliminate the persistent agricultural chemicals from the soils.</li> <li>• Production of locally-based animal feed</li> <li>• Production of locally-based natural pest management products.</li> </ul> <p><b>Marketing &amp; distribution:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is an ever-growing number of restaurants, natural foods markets, food trucks, juice bars, farmers markets, value-added products and more that are emphasizing locally grown foods.</li> </ul>	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Food Pantries</b> are regularly receiving fresh produce for distribution to those without enough food from the abundance of local farms and homesteads and no cost.</li> <li>• <b>Farm produce</b> directly feeds the friends, families and workers of the farmers</li> <li>• <b>NEEDED:</b> e-commerce effort that is an on-line resource to match local produce with the needs of the retailers for efficient distribution of goods</li> <li>• <b>Export opportunities</b> through consolidation of various farms' produce to be exported - e-commerce collaborative database will help this process. The farms have diversified crops, so no farm is left stranded at the whims of one product. Collectively, they can serve an export market develops over time.</li> <li>• <b>Marketing conventions</b> such as Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers that bring outside markets to understand the value and potential of our crops</li> <li>• <b>Food fairs</b> to the chefs and restaurants to encourage greater selection of locally grown foods.</li> </ul> <p>Eco-tourism - needs to be encouraged and still taxed as Rural or Ag if the tourism elements are less than 1/3 of the revenue of the farm.</p> <p>Education - abundant assistance for education from all of the above listed non-profit collaborators plus</p>	

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				<p><b>KCC/UH support for related skills and individual teachers.</b></p> <p><b>Community gardens, the Kilauea Community Agriculture Center, neighborhood agriculture all offer opportunities for developing a next generation of farmers. Events such as the Seed and Plant Exchanges, Earth Day Festivals, Kalo &amp; Mango Festivals cross-benefit the different groups. Collaboration - farmers and organizations actively work together to help each other and share resources, markets and training.</b></p> <p><b>Housing - farm worker housing is one of the biggest obstacles.</b> Natural farming methods require workers in the field with a close relationship to the plants.</p> <p><b>ZONING suggestion:</b></p> <p><b>Create a fresh county land designation of a Rural or Ag 1.5</b> that is inspired by the Hawaii State <b>Important Agricultural Land</b> designation to assist farm-steading with an <b>85%/15%</b> land use variation. <b>Farm-worker housing camps can be placed on a revokable 15% land area with 3-year permits.</b> This does not have to be a permanent deed restriction if the farm fails. A septic system, with moveable tiny house camps that are <u>pre-approved by the planning department</u> can have a max number of farm workers per encampment based on overall land size, farm plan with specified crops. A clean source of water would be a requirement. Solar power may be appropriate. If there are farm worker housing violations, the permit won't be renewed. Visitor accommodation is an example of a violation. Attached are some samples of temporary housing that</p>	

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				<p>were found on the internet to suggest a direction of what these semi-permanent housing may look like. There would not be kitchens in the small buildings. Documented farm plans would be a part of the permitting that effectively protects labor exploitation.</p> <p><b>Farm Buildings with a kitchen facility, open table areas, wash stations, tool sheds</b> would likely positioned adjacent to the worker housing.</p> <p><b>Ag subdivisions with Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions that prohibit most agriculture should be re-evaluated and set in a class designed for luxury homes.</b></p> <p><b>Labor</b> - at present, there is a reliance on transient labor because of inadequate housing. The small, clean, housing camps will help develop and retain more permanent workers, greater stability and efficiency, better health conditions and provide housing for our population that is underserved. This cost of housing burden is shifted to the farm land-owners rather than the public sector.</p> <p><b>Land and water - diversified agriculture in a perma-culture style requires substantially less water than conventional agriculture. The most appropriate lands to be considered for these small farms have access to surface water.</b></p>	

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				<p><b>Mahalo for considering this input. Expect letters of support that address a range of these issues from the various agriculture organizations along with additional ideas.</b></p>	
36	4/14/16	Felicia Alongi Cowden email to Leanora Kaiaokamalie	Representation of small farm stakeholders at CAC meetings/public comment	<p>Aloha Lea, I understand there is very little time or openness in the format of the CAC meetings for the General Plan Update to take public commentary and have been clear with the agricultural demographics that are likely to be attending this Tuesday’s meeting.</p> <p>Right now, I am in process of writing some suggestions to be included in the presentation. Last time, the small farm food production from the northeast corridor was strikingly absent from the plan. I wrote about that then, invited the GPU planning team to the Seed Exchange and have worked a handful of ways to have our interests understood or included.</p> <p>George Costa came out to one of the farms and we spent 5 hours together looking at some of the challenges and highlighting what was overlooked in the last draft of the Agriculture presentation. I said I would send some bullet points for him to look over to possibly include in the presentation that is made either by OED or planning to the CAC. I will include you along with Marie Williams in my e-mail to George. Hopefully, planning will seem some value in this input. We realize there is virtually no room to hear from the public at this meeting. The intention is to be seen. Our agricultural community was not reflected in the last snapshot of agriculture on Kauai. We very much need policy that</p>	<p>Leanora Kaiaokamalie email response to Felicia on 4/15/16:</p> <p>Mahalo Felicia,</p> <p>We welcome feedback on the various topics within the general plan. However, for the Tuesday, the agenda and presentations are already set. What we really would like kōkua on is for all participating to take a look at the policy questions and draft policy matrix and add or comment on this (before and/or after the meeting; written comments are super helpful). There will be group work during the meeting on Tuesday that the public will have the opportunity to participate in. We have allocated time for public questions to Jeff Melrose as well. In addition, we will make every possible effort to stick to the clock so that those wanting to add comments at the end will have the opportunity.</p>

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				<p>incentivizes farming and localized food production. Currently, the laws are very harsh on regenerative agriculture. The policies are designed more to favor export commodity crops.</p> <p>Thank you for reaching to me. The goal is to assist your efforts, not to make them more difficult.</p>	<p>In regard to agriculture, although the County itself does not farm, it does have ability to create incentives, participate in partnerships, develop or support existing programs, and create or amend permitting requirements. Moving forward it would also be advantageous to keep track of the committees, farmers, etc, so that we can take pulse of successes as well as where kōkua is needed to increase success in areas that the community is interested in, such as in diversified agriculture, processing, transport, etc. We cannot be everywhere or everything to everybody. To better understanding the County’s role, especially in relation to increasing our ag industry, is the key to becoming more effective support for organizations and businesses. Thus acquiring information about the various farms, ag organizations, etc is helpful to us. The number for farmers,</p>

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					<p>committees, and community/business efforts constantly change and keeping up is challenging.</p> <p>As for the General Plan update process, we must work within the parameters of the scope, time, funding, and staffing established at the onset of project. Each of the topics (transportation, infrastructure, ag, tourism, housing, etc, etc and how these relate) are expansive conversations and the reality is that time and resources are limited. Thus, a lot of preparation has been infused into the process, even prior to it starting, to ensure <i>to the best of our ability</i> that a we have as robust a community process as possible and that we are able to deliver a final plan within the time we have been given. Throughout the process we have worked to provide multiple venues to gather feedback from community, business, organizations, agencies – from</p>

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					<p>Facebook, Instagram, blogs, emails, mail, meetings, pop ups, participation at events, schools, etc. We are only mid-way through the Plan process, and there is opportunity for feedback at every step of the way. While staff cannot be available around the clock we do our best to be available to community (including individuals, farmers, students, teachers, kupuna, etc), landowners, agencies, and businesses as well as to respond to inquiries in a timely manner.</p> <p>At the end of the day we are all community members and we all love Kaua‘i. Having a thoughtful, comprehensive, and action-oriented plan which provides <i>for a way moving forward on shared visions and goals</i> is important to each of us personally. We take our jobs seriously because our home, lives, wahi pana, and ‘ohana are here, too.</p> <p>It is also important to note that concerns and priorities for each</p>

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					<p>district North – to West Kaua‘i are different. Understanding different priorities and concerns is an important part of framing realistic actions toward a shared vision for Kaua‘i.</p> <p>Mahalo again for your passion and work and see you on Tuesday!</p>
37	4/15/16	Laureen Ranis email to plankauai	Housing, roads, property tax, etc.	I've been servicing visitors with their destination weddings and everyone loves Kauai the Best and dislikes Oahu entirely. I hope this says it all. We'll lose our visitors if Kauai changes. Our resorts are hardly overbooked, which means hotels can be put on hold. Improve our roads, neighborhood centers for Kauai kids, more local swimming pools this would be their first safe place to learn to swim as YMCA is over priced with toddler swimming lessons, which should issue a refund if a child doesn't learn. Property tax is extremely high I'd like to see non-residence take the cost for this who buy/sale or VRBO this would stop outsiders buying which makes locals harder to buy a house that's not so pricey non-affordable. My daughter bought her first home aged at 1969 for \$550K this is crazy I feel for her with mortgage payments. This is nuts...	
38	5/03/16	Anne Walton email to plankauai	Planning Process, Land Use, Community Vision	<p>May 3, 2016</p> <p>Dear Planning Commission: Thank you for organizing and providing the opportunity to participate in the "Community Place Type and Visioning</p>	Replied by SSFM

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				<p>Workshop” for the east side on April 28, 2016. I appreciate the effort in planning such an event, as well as the time spent engaging with the community. I realize it is easy to be critical of such as process, so I hope the following comments will be accepted in the spirit of constructive criticism, with the hope of improving future community engagement and promoting quality of life on Kauai.</p> <p><b>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS</b>                      Opportunities to engage with communities and truly understand and embrace their deepest interests and concerns on a meaningful level is always a challenge. Well planned communication and facilitation, while remaining flexible in the actual engagement with communities, is absolutely essential. The process I experienced on April 18 lacked in all of these areas, leaving myself and others with the feeling that this effort was not conducted in earnest, but rather as a “checking the box” exercise. Process steps for gathering input from the community were not well articulated or organized. There seemed to be no apparent record keeping on community comments, and there was little or no communication on what is going to be done with the public input and how that will truly inform any decision-making by the Planning Commission. This left me feeling this was an exercise in futility for all of those who sacrificed their time, hoping to be heard on issues pertaining to the future of their community.</p> <p><b>PROCESS STRUCTURE &amp; FRAMING</b>                      The community engagement process was primarily focused on three town centers: Wailua, Kapaa and Anahola and developing a “concept” of what the centers might look like in the future – a wish list, if you will, on a range of</p>	

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				<p>“potential change” options largely based on private investment dollars (specifically: rural crossroads, small village, large village or town models). These 3 centers were also stove piped into 3 separate discussions, with a fourth discussion on transportation. It is easy to understand the convenience of this structure from the standpoint of creating smaller, more manageable groups, allowing for individual voices to be heard. However, as the traffic streamed by us between Wailua and Kapaa, it was hard to look at that geographic distinction in any meaningful way. The focus on the 3 town centers also left out the conversation on the impacts from the six “planned projects” – which, I am guessing, are probably of the greatest concern to most people who care about the future of the east side and the compounding of existing problems such as traffic and access. Also, this approach took the focus off the real areas of concern, which in my best estimation have to do with zoning (land use) and infrastructure planning (not building heights, store fronts and ambiance).</p> <p>I believe it is useful to start any community process by understanding and defining the “quality of life factors” and what the community considers as its major “assets” contributing to these quality of life factors. This then helps to frame what we want to protect or maintain (or even improve), and also where the community is willing to make a compromise. There was no attempt to develop and come to consensus on these definitions, which would have helped in moving towards a common vision of the future. This approach also provides an opportunity to bring into the discussion questions and concerns about food security</p>	

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				<p>and energy sustainability and other quality of life factors, for which barely a word was uttered.</p> <p><b>DATA &amp; OTHER INFORMATION</b>                      The data used on the maps in the gym were dated or not identified. In particular, the erosion data is nearly a decade old. These data would then impact the sea level rise scenarios for 1, 3 or 6 feet of change. The projections on population growth and housing data were also not cited, so hard to tell the source of the information, which is really critical when used as the basis to inform the community process and make decisions.</p> <p><b>IN CONCLUSION</b>                      Even though the community process leaves much to be desired in terms of its content and organization, I personally am still walking away with the same thoughts and concerns that I entered the gym with last Thursday. I strongly urge you not to allow for any new development (“planned”, “permitted” or otherwise) or changes in zoning to take place until to following has been undertaken by the county:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A comprehensive, transparent and inclusive evaluation of current zoning and how this fits with each communities’ vision for the future (10-20 years and beyond). As part of this process, take into account quality of life factors including appropriate zoning to meet future needs for food security, energy sustainability and the reality of the need to put aside necessary open space for upland retreat based on current and projected erosion and sea level rise factors.</li> <li>2. Basic infrastructure needs have actually been addressed, are fully executed and proving that they are directly</li> </ol>	

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				<p>addressing the issues related to our current infrastructure requirements. The approach(es) to addressing our current infrastructure needs must also be flexible and adaptable enough to meet future needs.</p> <p>3. When an application is submitted for a building or development permit, that the county takes full responsibility for ensuring “due diligence” oversight that basic permit requirements are being met. This includes the following from the county:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that all information received from the permit applicant is true and accurate (e.g., the erroneous claim about providing low income housing at Hokua Place – this is no more low income housing than the pricing differential between a condo vs single unit housing);</li> <li>• ensure that an EIS is comprehensive (not just checking the boxes but also considers both cumulative impacts and mauka to makai downstream impacts (ahupua‘a approach));</li> <li>• ensures that the type of development meets each communities’ vision for the future (guaranteeing the protection of key community assets) while contributing to the quality of life here on Kauai (not just filling the pockets of investors).</li> </ul> <p>Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to following this process.</p> <p>Respectfully, Anne Walton Wailua Homesteads</p>	

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39	5/5/16	Valerie Weiss? Email to plankauai	Public access to written testimony	Aloha. I don't see a spot on your site to view written testimony that has been submitted. Is there one?	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10/16: Our <a href="http://www.plankauai.com/events/">www.plankauai.com/events/</a> website contains both public comments and written comments received during the CAC meetings. If you want to view the comments we received during the CAC meeting, then click on the summary link under each meeting.
40	5/6/16	Karen M. Coyne email to plankauai	Land Use in East Kauai	As a homeowner and resident of the Kapahi area, I object to the residential development being planned for the land behind Kapa'a Middle School. The Kapa'a area traffic must be addressed and alternate routes available before any additional residential or resort development takes place. I am requesting that the CAC/GPU go back to the last GPU of the year 2000 and <b>delete</b> the recommendation that 93 agricultural acres behind the middle school be upzoned to urban. I'd also like to see a moratorium on resort development in the Kapa'a/Wailua area until a permanent traffic alternative is in place and effective. I hope that the concerns of Kauai's residents will be considered, and perhaps future such zoning changes will be voted upon by those affected--the residents.	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10 that comments were received.
41	5/7/16	Ray Miller email to plankauai	Land use, Infrastructure, Housing, Transit in East Kaua‘i	I have lived and worked here on the Garden Isle for 45 years, retiring from the Pacific Missile Range Facility in July of 2008. During that time I have seen Kauai grow from the quiet, laid-back, rural community of the '70s to the much more populated and active community of today.	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:  Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at <a href="http://plankauai.com">plankauai.com</a> for more

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				<p>As the years have come and gone I have seen both residential and transient accommodations continuously increase as more and more people found out about our little Paradise. But there is a big problem with that growth; though the dwellings and hotel rooms grow in numbers, the highway and byway improvements and expansions needed to support this growth have apparently been mostly forgotten. Even though there are now two miles of 4-lane highway between Lihue and Puihi, they have only made it a bit easier to access and depart the Kukui Grove, Costco, and Home Depot shopping facilities. They have done nothing to improve traffic flow between Lihue and the out-lying residential and tourist areas. In the evenings, around pau hana time, the additional lanes just provide the outbound travelers a quicker drive to the "choke point" where 4-lanes become 2 and the traffic crawls for the next 5 miles until Maluhia Road is reached. At that intersection about 20-30 percent of the traffic turns and makes it down 'Tree Tunnel Road' while the larger percentage continues to the next bottle neck of Kalaheo. It is not uncommon to be stuck in this traffic for as much as 45 minutes just trying to leave town and get home. And that is only the west-bound travelers! Those poor folks traveling North have this commute problem in spades. Just getting out of Lihue the highway configuration has a lineup getting through Hanamaulu Town and traveling through the</p>	<p>information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>Wailua/Kapaa corridor provides no end to the frustration felt by our residents and tourists alike.</p> <p>We certainly understand there is a very large cost to expanding the lane count in order to relieve this problem but the State is over 15 years 'behind the curve' in even coming up with viable plans to do so, let alone the funding to make it happen. It seems there is a need to develop a plan that can be broken up into incrementally funded portions that will have minimal affect on the current traffic load. This would not be too difficult for Kaumualii Highway 50 as all the major work could be performed on the North side of the Kauai Humane Society and the Honsador concrete batch plant at half-way bridge, merging with the existing highway (as the final effort) at Puhi and the Maluhia Road junction. I have attached a notional drawing of this concept for your information. The several positive aspects of this concept are that; 1) ≈85% of the work can be accomplished with little or no disruption of current traffic by virtue of the fact that the new construction is not built in Siamese fashion with the existing highway; 2) additionally, this separation of traffic direction totally eliminates the potential for head-on, generally fatal, motor vehicle accidents; 3) using the roundabout design at the Kauai Humane Society, the Honsador batch plant, and Maluhia Road locations allows easy direction changes for first responders or others that may need to make a u-turn, for example, to visit a property with access</p>	

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				<p>from the opposite lanes; 4) this design reduces or eliminates any access redesign for the 2 facilities within the roundabouts; 5) those utility companies that have pole-mounted, overhead distribution cabling will not have to relocate their assets due to potential displacement; 6) the separated design will provide ample room for government or commercial facilities to be constructed in between the East-West lanes with easy access to both traffic directions; 7) as a desirable, the roundabout concept can allow contraflow bypass if there is a traffic blocking accident in one direction or the other; 8) subsequent to my conceptual design KIUC constructed and is operating a biomass power plant in the vicinity of Knudson gap which would also be accessed from the westbound lanes with appropriate on- and off-ramps. Of course there are 2 negative aspects as well; 1) allocation of funding; 2) land procurement.</p> <p>The North-South corridor is much more involved due to the lack of space for additional lanes as the existing highway is just not wide enough and the business and residential properties are already too close to the roadway for any kind of highway expansion. To deal with this a separate roadway would have to be constructed mauka of the current highway, perhaps tying in with the Wailua-Kapaa bypass road and extending to Kealia. I realize this would require an additional bridge across the Wailua River and probably 3 or more overpasses to keep from disrupting traffic</p>	

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				<p>on Kuamoo, Halalilo, and Olohena Roads and some real creative design for the merge at the Kealia end but something must be done soon or there will be no more land available for the project.</p> <p>These traffic remedies have to be accomplished now but the county must also put a moratorium on any more residential dwelling and transient accommodation construction until the roadway expansions have been completed. There is no sensible way the building construction can happen without the increase in highway growth happening first.</p> <p>I hope this finds everyone involved with this General Plan Update healthy and willing to work with the Public and the Government in an effort to get the State to address this issue in a robust and ambitious manner before the possibility to make a difference has passed and Kauai then has to look at the potential of a much more expensive mass transportation system similar to the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit project (HART).</p> <p>Aloha,  Ray Miller  (602)476-1289 (H)  (480)400-9807 (C)  PO Box 162  5161 Alii Rd.  Hanapepe, HI 96716-0162</p>	

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42	5/8/16	Lynn Dybul email to plankauai	Land Use in East Kaua‘i	<p>Aloha - I am writing because I cannot attend the CAC/GPU meeting on Traffic Monday (5/9), and I would like to give my input about decisions that will affect us on Kauai for the present and for the future.</p> <p>I’m discouraged about the direction that this is going. The quality of life for Kauai residents will be greatly compromised with the current plans of new development in the Kapaa/Wailua area.</p> <p>I strongly disagree with the recent GPU meeting for development of the Eastside, where the developer for Hokua Place resurfaced and was supported by the county.</p> <p>In addition to the 780 dwellings, there are 3 new resorts going up over the next 4 years in the Wailua Corridor. This will result in at least 3000 additional cars on Kuhio Highway. The DOT has only committed to building one more lane from the south end of the By-pass Rd. the light at the corner of Coco Palms; however, this will not be sufficient to absorb the traffic the new developments will bring.</p> <p>I vote you to go back to the last GPU of year 2000, and delete the recommendation that 93 agricultural acres behind the Kapaa Middle School Urban be up-zoned to Urban.</p> <p>I further request you consider a moratorium on resort development, no more permits given for resorts and non-affordable housing developments in the</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>Kapaa/Wailua area and put the focus on addressing our most current and pressing issues instead of adding to and devastating them further.</p> <p>Mahalo nui loa Lynn Dybul 401 Papaloa Road Kapaa, HI 96746</p>	
43	5/8/16	Yogi Juan (or John Moore?) email to plankauai		<p>Aloha Planning Commission,</p> <p>Thank you for discussing Kauai's transportation needs as part of our East Side General Plan. As we discussed in our all-day meeting at All Saints Church on April 28th, and as many of you requested, the following points might help bring relief to our existing transportation crisis.</p> <p>NOTE: Our Transportation Crisis was the dominant topic of the day and heavily influenced every other topic that we discussed, e.g., the main point of resistance against any further development was that if our roads go into gridlock now, how can we have any more vehicles on them?</p> <p><b>A. Joint Task Force of Federal, State, County, and Kauai Citizens</b> Create a joint task force and assign one County liaison to work full time with all County, State, and Federal agencies and our Ohana to assuage Kauai's Transportation Crisis by: coming up with the fastest ways to bring about relief to our congestion, to investigate all possible funding sources for road changes and public transportation, and to collectively open up discussion and brainstorming ingenious new ways to utilize existing sources of funding to get cars off the roads.</p> <p>Some of the solutions that we discussed on April 28th include: Eliminate left turns onto highway wherever possible, eliminate traffic signals and favor Roundabouts wherever possible, encourage use of other modalities of transportation, and do</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you again for attending our East Kauai Place- type workshop! We are also in receipt of your comments below.</p>

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				<p>whatever necessary to get cars off of and moving through the critical area between the Wailua Bridge and Safeway.</p> <p><b>B. Kauai Bus</b>                      As we all know, Kauai is a very unique rural and geographical anomaly to traditional plans and policies laid out by legislatures across the USA. As a round island that has only one main highway (heavily congested throughout the Kapaa to Kalaheo corridor), we have to find a way for all public and private agencies to work together to resolve our economically debilitating congestion problem which stymies our productivity and chases tourists away.</p> <p><b>Research reveals the following relevant facts:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Public transit reduces the number of cars on the roads.</li> <li>2. Public transit is more efficient than individual cars.</li> <li>3. Population will use public transit en masse if it comes every 15 minutes or less.</li> <li>4. Students who use public transit become adults who'll use public transit.</li> <li>5. Many Kauai Students already use public transit in addition to cars and school bus when they are involved with after school activities.</li> <li>6. Roundabouts are more efficient and safe than Traffic Signals.</li> </ol> <p>Although Rental Car companies and school bus contractors will use their local ties, money and resources to lobby against such integration, and fear of change and habits of belief must be overcome, it just makes sense for the Garden Island with one main road on it should do everything possible to encourage tourists and residents alike to hop on a bus rather than add additional cars to that road.</p> <p><b>C. Suggested Course of Action:</b></p> <p><b>1. Require All Tourists to pay for a Bus Pass.</b>                      If we have readily available bus service from the airport and harbor, we can require every tourist arriving on island to pay for a monthly bus service whether they use it or not (included in Airport and Harbor taxes). This would be a strong enticement for them to</p>	

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				<p>use our Kauai Eco Bus to get around our Garden Island rather than renting cars. This would also reinforce their perception that Kauai is a special ecotourist destination.</p> <p><b>2. Give every Kauai Resident a Bus Pass</b>                      If every resident has a Bus Pass, we will be enticed to just hop on a bus rather than take a car. Even when we don't use bus, we will be thrilled to have less cars on our roads when we drive since Traffic Congestion is our #1 issue here. Our Bus Passes should primarily be paid for by Grants, Airport Tax, and Increased Gas Tax since those are the most direct incentives for us to use Public Transit and alternative transportation.</p> <p><b>3. Ask Hawaii DOT to immediately apply for the Federal DOD Grant for Public Transit to PMRF.</b>                      In last fall meetings about bus use, Fed representatives Elijah and Lauren Deaderick suggested that Hawaii DOT can apply for supplemental grants from the Department of Defense to pay for, and contract with Kauai Bus to provide Public Transportation from our Airport and Harbor to Federal Defense Bases (PMRF). This would fund Public Transit buses and service for the South and West sides of Kauai which would allow existing bus funding to be used for increased service for the East and North sides.</p> <p><b>4. Use Millions from Private School Bus Contracts for Public Transit</b>                      Apply for the exemption from federal and state school bus mandates which allows Rural Communities to use School Bus funds for Public Transit when its not sustainable in that area. Fortunately, Kauai schools are located near the highway which allows for easy drop-off of students at schools. As I mentioned in our meetings, this little known "clause" which allows school bus money to be used for Local Public Transit Operators in Rural Areas if the Private Option is not sustainable or adequate for that region can be found in the following book, Chapter 2, Page 19: <a href="https://books.google.com/books?id=WdErNITF8ToC&amp;source=gbs_navlinks_s">https://books.google.com/books?id=WdErNITF8ToC&amp;source=gbs_navlinks_s</a></p>	

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				<p><b>5. Increase Traffic Flow of buses and cars by reducing Traffic Lights &amp; increasing use of Roundabouts</b>                      Most traffic signals on Kauai can be eliminated. I've gone through this with both County and State DOT engineers. Many of the Traffic Lights can be eliminated by requiring Right Turn only onto highway, along with a Roundabout available within a few blocks.</p> <p><b>6. Favor Public Transit Right of Ways on roads</b>                      If the Bus comes every 15 minutes, and the time of journey on the Bus is comparable to a Car, then it adds another incentive for people to ride the bus. Any incentive we can provide to favor the right of way of buses, will also be an incentive to trade vehicle use for bus use.</p> <p>Thank you for working together towards a better solution for a happier, healthier, and more sustainable Kauai.</p> <p>Aloha Nui Loa,                      John Moore                      Executive Director                      Hawaiian Sustainability Foundation  <a href="http://hawaiiansustainability.org">http://hawaiiansustainability.org</a>                      808-821-8000</p>	
44	5/8/16	Bart and Anne Walton email to plankauai	Land Use, Traffic, Infrastructure in East Kauai	<p>Dear Planning Department,                      We will not be able to attend the meeting on Monday, May 9th. However, we would like to go on record that we are very concerned about the traffic in Kapaa/Wailua. Already, the situation is serious during certain times of the day. Many days, it takes 20 minutes to travel from the North end of Kapaa to the 580 intersection in Wailua, a distance of less than 3 miles. Apparently, there are several new projects pending, which undoubtedly will make the problem a lot worse. For example:</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

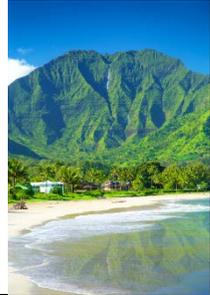
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				<p>1) The up-zoning from Agriculture to Urban of the proposed massive 800 house development, Hokua Place, behind the Kapaa Middle School. This project will add an additional 1600 vehicles into downtown Kapaa or onto the by pass.</p> <p>2) 3 new hotels have been permitted in the Wailua Corridor, producing an estimated additional 1600 cars entering the highway in the Wailua/Kapaa corridor.</p> <p>If there is any desire to maintain a decent quality of life on the east side of Kauai, it is imperative that the up-zoning be rescinded and that no further building permits be granted until adequate roads and infrastructure are in place.</p> <p>If these projects go through, the east side of Kauai will no longer be a pleasant place to live. And, I expect tourism and the economy will be severely affected. Thank you for your consideration.</p>	
45	5/8/16	Robin Yost email to Plankauai	Land Use, Traffic, in East Kauai	<p>Dear CAC and GPU Committee Members, I am writing on behalf of the future growth of Kauai. And the dire need to enact solutions to the excessive traffic that clogs our roads. Especially the roads on the East side.</p> <p>Solutions:</p> <p>1) Please go back to the last GPU of year 2000, and delete the recommendation that 93 agricultural acres behind the Kapaa Middle School, to be up zoned to Urban. You will help to stop a catastrophe from happening.</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>The developers of Hokua Place are from Utah, with dollar signs written all over them. No aloha in their hearts, not akamai.</p> <p>There is so little affordable housing slated in this development. And the impact of 1600 more cars is inconceivable in this area.</p> <p>Please leave the zoning in ag, and allow the opportunity of farming the land, for the future.</p> <p>2) Please create a moratorium on resort development. No more permits given for resorts and non-affordable housing developments in the Kapaa/Wailua area. There are several new resorts opening within the next few years, and the traffic they will bring is frightening to imagine.</p> <p>I implore you to make the right decisions for Kauai. For the future. For the children, and the generations to come. For you living with the importance of these decisions. We place everything in your hands. Please do the right thing.</p> <p>Much aloha, and concern, Robin Yost Wailua Homesteads</p>	
46	5/8/16	Kicka Witte email to plankauai	Traffic, Infrastructure in East Kauai	<p>Aloha, I just want to quickly put in a plead about the traffic situation in Wailua. I moved from North Shore to Wailua about 2 years ago and since, it takes me about the same time to drive into Kapaa from Wailua, as it took driving from Kilauea on North Shore... all because of traffic, which has only gotten worse and worse. With all development, I ask you to please be realistic and create forward thinking solutions. It is sad the cane haul roads are closed when apparently 40% of residents own trucks that could handle the gravel roads with ease, and I am sure the community</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>would upkeep the roads if opened. There needs to be a road connecting the bypass to Wailua and Lihue without going back into Kuhio. I am also sure we could fund-raise if needed, to help with this. The infrastructure on island is an embarrassment not only to residents, but to all visitors.</p> <p>Mahalo for your time Kicka Witte</p>	
47	5/10/16	Kicka Witte email reply to Marisa/plankauai	Traffic, transit	<p>Mahalo Marisa, have a great day. We are still blessed to live here regardless of traffic :) I can only dream of a solar powered train one day in the future :) Much aloha, Kicka</p> 	
48	5/8/16	Ken Jopling email to Plankauai	Traffic, Land Use in East Kauai	<p>Subject: General Plan Update testimony I am VERY concerned about the current congested state of traffic in the Kapaa Wailua corridor. The addition of more resort developments and Hokua Place will only add more cars to an already full highway and bypass. Please go back to the 2000 GPU and eliminate the upzoning of the agricultural area behind Kapaa Middle School to urban upon which Hokua Place is proposed. We need to maintain viable agricultural zoned land for sustainable food production for Kauai and do not need 100's of more cars entering the bypass traffic circle. Sincerely  Ken Jopling, RN Kapahi, Kaua'i</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied on 5/10:  Aloha Ken,  Mahalo for sending us your comments!</p>
49	5/8/16	Elizabeth Scamahorn	Land use in East Kaua'i	<p>I am a 37 year resident of this island and I am requesting that the CAC/GPU go back to the last GPU of year 2000, and</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p>

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		Kalāheo email to Plankauai		<p>do the appropriate action of deleting the <i>recommendation</i> that 93 agricultural acres behind the Kapaa Middle School Urban be up-zoned to Urban.</p> <p>I am requesting a moratorium on resort development, no more permits given for resorts and non-affordable housing developments in the Kapaa/Wailua area until a road crossing this island is planned and the land is designated.</p> <p>Sincerely, Elizabeth Scamahorn Kalaheo</p>	<p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>
50	5/8/16	Lorraine Newman email to plankauai	Land use, traffic in East Kaua‘i	<p>Aloha to all, Please do not permit the proposed Hokua Place development. I must strongly advise against any such development in this Eastside location.</p> <p>While Kauai does need more housing, until we see significant abatement of the traffic problems along the Kapaa-Wailua highway (now problematic at all times of the day) this project would do more harm than good. This is exactly the type of planning issue that requires a careful hand.</p> <p>Furthermore, I have been tracking the purchase and sales history of this parcel, and it is all too obvious that the focus of the developers is to make good on their investment rather than to assist with the housing needs of the island.</p> <p>If the parcel was already zoned for the developer’s proposed use, you would have some work to do to try to mitigate the impact of a development, but this is not the case. Instead, all that is required is to just say NO to changing the zoning. This one is easy.</p> <p>Mahalo for listening, Lorraine Newman</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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51	5/9/16	Liz Crites email to plankauai	Land Use, Traffic, Infrastructure in East Kauai	<p>I don't usually make comments but I need to inform you that 2 of my guests who visit here each year have decided not to stay at any Eastside resort. They cannot 'waste their vacation time sitting in traffic'. I used to live near Foodland and Safeway but moved to Lihue 3 years ago. Because of the traffic jams up there. Now I see a fence between Plantation Hale and the ocean- another resort? you must be nuts! And frankly, I don't see the infrastructure going in (like sewer) to support so many more people.. More development without infrastructure means disaster for the sustainability of our way of life.. will you at least think of your children?</p> <p><i>Old enough to know Liz Crites</i></p> <p><i>Sun Village Lihue</i></p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>
52	5/9/16	Laurel Brier email to plankauai	Infrastructure, Transit in East Kaua‘i	<p>For over 50 years there has been talk and actual proposed plans for alternative routes through Kapaa including plans for another bridge over the Wailua River. We have been using the “temporary” bypass for well over a decade. In other words, the need for other roads to accommodate the Eastside traffic has long been acknowledged. And yet, we still do not have the needed infrastructure for the present population. To approve more housing is illogical and shortsighted thinking. First create viable and financially feasible avenues for new parks, schools, facilities, roads, sewage, mass transit, parking and other infrastructure BEFORE increasing the population in the area. That’s good planning. Thank you.</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				Laurel Brier Anahola resident Lihue employee	
53	5/9/16	Joanne Allen email to plankauai	Land Use in East Kaua‘i	<p>Aloha, I am attaching 183 letters, comments, and signatures of support for HoKua Place. We have had an outpouring of support from the community and are pleased to pass on some of the public response to you.</p> <p>Thank you, Joanne Allen <a href="http://www.HoKuaPlace.com">www.HoKuaPlace.com</a></p> <p>attachments: 2016-04 Signatures 1 LUC Support Letters 44 2016-04 Handwritten Letters HoKua_Place_Support_Letter_4 HoKua_Place_Support_Letter_3 HoKua_Place_Support_Letter_2 HoKua_Place_Support_Letter_1 2016-04 Signatures 3 2016-04 Signatures 2</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Aloha Joanne, We are in receipt of your email below.</p> <p>Mahalo! Marisa Valenciano County of Kauai Planning Department</p>
54	5/9/16	Katherine Muzik, Ph.D. email to plankauai	Land Use, Housing, Environment in East Kauai	<p>Aloha, and thank you for your attention to this brief letter. (I am sorry I could not meet with you today in Lihue.)</p> <p>I am a marine biologist, who has studied the water quality and coral health of Kapa'a seas for five years.</p> <p>I note ever-increasing contamination of our waters, and death of our marine life here.</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>My research here in Kapa'a shows the increasing degradation of our reefs, not only because of global warming and acidification, but especially because of our very own local pollution. On Saturday, November 7, I sampled water quality in Kapa'a for Surfriders, and was startled to see the results, oh no! Waia'kea canal with 4,352 per ml of fecal contaminants! (Uh oh, less than 100 is "acceptable".) The load of contamination, whether bacteria and pharmaceuticals from cesspools, septic systems, car traffic (tires as they wear contribute 30 chemicals to the sea with every rain!), and other human sources is already, now, absolutely unacceptable.</p> <p>Each week, when I visit the science teacher at Kapa'a High school, I am stunned by the numbers of teachers and students who are highly qualified and capable, but simply cannot afford to live here in Kauai in the foreseeable future, and leave. We are losing our most capable and smartest people.</p> <p>We desperately need affordable housing.</p> <p>Therefore, I am <u>against</u> the proposed development of Hokua Place. It will certainly bring further destruction of our marine environment, without providing affordable housing to the deserving and desperate youth and young adults of our Island.</p> <p>We must discourage further construction on the East Corridor, and encourage bicycles and buses, especially walking, here! Swimming! Yes! Restoring the corals, yes! Planting lime again, yes!</p>	

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				<p>I deeply fear that by 2020 I shall no longer be able to swim in our beautiful sea, without harm, from run-off from unchecked "development".</p> <p>So, "No" to Hokua, please deny such destructive "development" in Kapa'a,</p> <p>Thank you,                      Katherine Muzik, Ph.D.                      808 346-6167  <a href="mailto:kmuzik@gmail.com">kmuzik@gmail.com</a>  <a href="http://www.ourwaterdrop.org">www.ourwaterdrop.org</a></p>	
55	5/09/16	Anne Walton email to plankauai	Community Vision, Infrastructure, Land Use	<p>Dear CAC Members and Planning Commission:</p> <p>9:00 am Saturday morning. My weekly run to Kapa’a and already there is gridlock. I would avoid it like the plague like I do the rest of the week, but have to buy groceries. As I speak of this today, it already sounds like an old story. Imagine five years from now with 6 new “planned projects” completed.</p> <p>I strongly urge you not to allow for any new development (“planned”, “permitted” or otherwise) or changes in zoning to take place until we have a comprehensive, clearly articulated, and community-supported twenty year vision and plan for Kauai.</p> <p>This plan should consider and be responsive to meeting current needs, while anticipating future needs (based on this vision for the future). It should be an integrated approach whereby a zoning scheme, infrastructure, transportation and quality of life factors are complementary and not treated as “stove piped” considerations. Planning should be based on a proactive</p>	Replied by SSFM

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				<p>paradigm, directing us towards that desired future state, rather than a reactive model and only responding to a current situation that seems to have gotten away from us. Band aids don't work when you're hemorrhaging, and especially when the problem is systemic.</p> <p>In the interim, I urge you to push the pause button. Let's recalibrate where we are today, determine if proposed actions on the books (aka development and so called transportation plans) are really serving the community. Then, let's start the work towards creating a future that is truly sustainable in terms of quality of life, food security, energy independence, conserving open space, conserving precious resources and maintaining opportunities to adapt to changing climate and associated impacts such as the need for sea level rise retreat. Let's show that we have learned from the mistakes of the past, and make a course correction in county planning before we lose the opportunity to do so. Sound, forward looking and visionary planning is the last bargaining chip we have to make Kauai a better place to live.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration and willingness to take on the difficult challenges that lie ahead.</p>	
56	5/10/16	Richard Coyne email to plankauai	Land Use, Traffic in East Kaua‘i	as a homeowner and resident of kapahi, i object to the planned development behind kapaa middle school. it was zoned agriculture for a reason. kapaa has traffic gridlock now, what will 93 acres of houses do to help the traffic situation? a very bad idea to rezone that area. Rick Coyne Kapahi	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10 that comments were received.
57	5/10/16	Katherine Muzik, Ph.D.	Natural Resources,	My pleasure and duty to share! Thank you for your response.	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:

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58	5/12/16	Timory McDonald email to plankauai	Traffic, Transportation, Land Use, and Housing in East Kaua‘i	<p>We need to think progressively both about making money ( I work in the tourist industry and get this) AND about how we are going to drive on our tiny island with very little room to keep widening roads. Something has to change, we are already too late. To get from Kapahi to Wailua can now take 30 min if the main hwy is jammed!!!! Please:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A moratorium on permits for any new resorts and non-affordable housing developments.</li> <li>2. Go back to the 2000 GPU and <b>delete</b> the proposed up-zoning from Ag to Urban of the 97 acres proposed for Hokua Place development (with more dwellings than the House lots), to be built with a commercial component, behind the Kapaa Middle School. I will also support.</li> <li>3. I will also support new Bill#2627 proposed by Gary Hooser and Mason Chock to add affordable rentals, in a unique way, to Lihue District. They acknowledged that Kapaa/Wailua District isn’t appropriate for such development: "There are many challenges not he least of which is the extreme traffic in the Kawaihau District....." (TGI, op-ed column by Gabriela Taylor Forum page, May 4).</li> </ol>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/10:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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60	5/12/16	Steve and Sharry Glass email to plankauai	Transportation, Traffic, Public Facilities and Services	<p>We have not been able to attend the CAC meetings so far, so would like to submit our testimony regarding transportation.</p> <p>We consider traffic congestion our greatest immediate transportation problem along with the burning of fossil fuels for transportation. It is understood that just creating more new roads never ultimately solves traffic congestion problems.</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/12:</p> <p>Thank you for providing your comments to us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>basics for daily life, eliminating the need for regular long-distance travel.</p> <p>These low-speed vehicles could make a real difference in the numbers of vehicles on the road, but safe, convenient and uncrowded paths and lanes must be provided so that people will feel comfortable using them.</p> <p>We are also concerned by the lack of emphasis on public transportation. Until we have a bus system which serves our entire island with frequent and reliable service, including evening hours, bus ridership will not increase substantially.</p> <p>Mahalo for your consideration.</p>	
61	5/11/16	Howard Johnson email to plankauai	Energy Sustainability , Land Use, Global Warming, Natural and Cultural Resources	<p>Aloha CAC (Community Advisory Committee), This is my input into the community planning process. Thank you for your help in including my input and in moving the process forward for the betterment of all.</p> <p>I have some very serious questions below that I feel need to be thoroughly researched.</p> <p>Because,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Global warming has already increased earth's temperature by +1°C, and</li> <li>* Global warming is on track to increase earth's temperature to +4°C in our children's life times, and</li> <li>* Very little globally has been done to curb green house gasses and resultant global warming, and</li> <li>* Agriculture depends on relatively stable climates, and</li> <li>* We depend on relatively stable agriculture, and</li> <li>* Stable economies depend on relatively stable climates,</li> </ul>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/12:</p> <p>Thank you for sharing your questions and comments with us!</p>

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				<p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Unstable climates, agriculture, and economies produce mass human desperation and migration, and</li> <li>* Global warming is unfolding much faster than we had expected,</li> </ul> <p>Therefore, before any Kauai community plans are formulated, I think the following need to be studied in depth and the results incorporated into the basis of our community plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* How will Kauaians feed themselves in the future without using carbon powered boats, ships, aircraft, or vehicles?</li> <li>* If our food comes from someplace else, where will it come from and how will it get here?</li> <li>* What will be left to eat from the oceans if anything with warming and over-fished waters?</li> </ul> <p>Over 35 years ago I worked for an atmospheric physicist and built the controller to help take CO<sup>2</sup> data in Tucson. The truth is we humans have known about the coming warming for a very long time and have done almost nothing to avert it or to prepare for it, me included. But this ignorance needs to stop right here and now, with me and you, calling like it is: much more global warming is dead ahead!</p> <p>I have built a web site for Kauai to present solutions. It's at <a href="http://iClimateCredits.org">iClimateCredits.org</a></p> <p>Howard Johnson 5102 Kahana St. Kapaa, HI 96746</p>	

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62	5/12/16	Lorraine Osterer email to plankauai	Land Use, Transportation, Infrastructure, Economy	<p>There have been more than 160 written testimonies as well as oral comments protesting the Hokua Place development and Wailua corridor resort development in previous public hearings. The April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting sorely lacked answers to the poor planning in the past, and now compounds the congestion far into the future.</p> <p>In addition to the 780 dwellings (only 25% affordable), there are 3 new resorts going up over the next 4 years in the Wailua Corridor. Doing the math, this equates to at least 3000 additional cars pouring onto Kuhio Highway. And the DOT only has committed to building one more lane from the south end of the Kapaa By-Pass Road to the light at the corner of Coco Palms.</p> <p>With most families owning more than one vehicle in the Hokua Place development, that means approximately 1500 more cars in the area. The existing plan to pave roads adds significant traffic delays, and does not help throughput. Traffic congestion is already extremely burdensome for current paving and road improvements, costing lots more for night work. The new hotels planned in the Wailua corridor would also make delays intolerable. Together, these projects will downgrade Kauai for residents and tourists. The county will pay the cost for infrastructure if they do not demand it of the developer in advance. This means roads, expanded septic systems, expanded school programs, fire and police protection and other public services. How can the county accept this development when it hasn't answered the most basic road infrastructure needed?</p>	<p>Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/?:</p> <p>Thank you for sharing your comments with us! Please visit our website at plankauai.com for more information about the General Plan Update.</p>

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				<p>Instead, please consider at least one if not both of these proposals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A moratorium on permits for any new resorts and non-affordable housing developments.</li> <li>2. Removal of the up-zoning from Ag to Urban of the 97 acres proposed for Hokua Place development (with more dwellings than the House lots), to be built with a commercial component, behind the Kapaa Middle School.</li> </ol> <p>Please support the new Bill#2627 proposed by Gary Hooser and Mason Chock to add affordable rentals, in a unique way, to Lihue District. They acknowledged that Kapaa/Wailua District isn't appropriate for such development:</p> <p>It is so short sighted to think that all development offers more taxes to the county, when in fact, the cost of infrastructure needed far exceeds the tax base increase. If developers are not required to pay for infrastructure upfront, including roads, sewers, schools, fire, police, then we, the taxpayers pay for it forever, and the quality of life is forever diminished waiting for the improvements needed. Clamp down on the developers who are making all the money, and get bonds paid for in advance.</p> <p>Thank you for your insight,</p> <p>Lorraine Osterer, Kauai resident</p>	
63	5/15/16	Molly Jones email to plankauai	Traffic, Land use in East Kauai	Regarding development on the east side of Kauai: please stop! Traffic is horrible. Stop all development, including 93 agricultural acres behind Kapaa Middle School. No more	Marisa Valenciano replied via email on 5/16 that comments were received.

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				<p>permits for resorts and other developments until infrastructure problems are handled.</p> <p>Sincerely, Molly Jones, Kauai resident since 1988 (Used to be able to drive through Kapaa.)</p>	
<b>Letters of Support for Hokua Place</b>					
64	4/?/16	Petition/Letter Signatories: Brian Baligad Alex Keliipio Carl Arume Karl Liufan Micah Mokuahi Jerry Sairoms Latia Miner H. Alike Pereza Phoebe Stokesbury Yuhui Hsu Michael Miyake Hector Portiko Margurilo Reyes Tom Iannucci Len Wheatley Schon McNanna Janet Miller Richard Cremer Kelvin Kai Sam Butler Scott Greenleaf Chris Cox Delcey Garma Timothy Stokesbary	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (hand-signed 1)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. ·</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p> <p>HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.</p>	

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65	4/?/16	Petition/Letter Signatories:  Isaac Asuncion Sam Datos Santos Carlos D. Ernesto Galzofe Cecilio Redales Delfin Albano Connie Osentine Emily Lyactea Imelda Tacata Jesus Tabalan Evelyn Johnston Mariano Aladia Shirley Ahipion David Ball Marites Michel Camreita Bejunadin? Antonia Iglesias? Leticia Lijbbs? Glcey Lalin? Charie Agnias? Eliza Cubaryly? Mency Uea? Jackie Jarens Marydel P. Zen X. Cadiz Jocelyn Cubanzby	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (hand-signed 2)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. .</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p> <p>HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.</p>	
66	4/?/16	Petition/Letter Signatories: Linda P. D. Al. ? Tyler M. Eli O.	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	I support affordable housing and traffic improvements in Kapaa.	

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<b>Support Letter Submitted via Online Form</b>					
67	4/?/16	<u><b>Submitter's Name</b></u> Greg Allen Aaron Allen Debbie Allen Willow Freer LeGrand Lee Tryg Larsen Iry Boboshko Leonard Rapozo Damon Magalogo Robert Hastings Tara Arumenitta Jeannie Sheldon Richard Sheldon Angelica Sutherlin Trysten Caberto Vivian Walker Kathleen Schmidt Cherie Sarme Lehi Goo	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (online 1)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. ·</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p>	<p><b>Additional Comments (optional)</b></p> <p>"It's about Damm time!" – Greg Allen                      "Would be a positive move." – Debbie Allen                      "Kauai would benefit from this project. We need this. Hope it happens!" – Iry Boboshko</p> <p>"Kapaa is great, the traffic really can be a headache for the local people. As the population grows there needs to be somewhere for our children to live and their children and generations to come. We allow new hotels to rise every single year to accommodate the ever growing population of tourists who visit this Garden Island almost religiously, why stop affordable housing from becoming part of the growth? Our children cannot live in the hotels, and if there is no hope for them to live here they will leave and seek homes elsewhere. I say let it grow!" – Damon Magalogo</p>

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		Kit Robinson		HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.	<p>“Great opportunity for families looking to own homes in Hawaii as well as looking forward to better traffic in Kapa‘a” - Tara Arumenitta</p> <p>“The proposed HoKua is in public demand, is well planned, is well supported by existing infrastructure and its sponsors are solid citizens of Kauai not outsiders. Please do the right thing by approving this important project.” - Robert Hastings</p> <p>“More affordable homes are needed on Kauai.” – Angelica Sutherlin</p> <p>“Rather than starting construction on more tourist based attractions, this plan is to forward support and help the local residents of Kauai. I am in favor of this plan.” – Trysten Caberto</p> <p>“We need this for the people of Kauai to better this island and help the people to stay here on island instead of moving to other states because of the cost of living.” – Vivian Walker</p> <p>“Our families need affordable housing on Kauai!! My children that were born and raised on Kauai have moved to the mainland to find a housing they can afford. Please let this happen to stop this from happening to more families.” – Kathleen Schmidt</p>

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68	4/?/16	<u>Submitter’s Name</u> Len Wheatley (prev signatory, 2 letters submitted via online form) Lynn Boyer John Jordan David Herr Andrew Sanchez Bridget Arume Elisa Beardall Leah Schneemann Justin Bright Dave Ball (Prev Signatory) Chad Lord Megan Wilkey Cindy Wilkey Duane Wilkey Liane Henderson Helen Lovell Lisa Pollak Lianne Garania	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (online 2)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. .</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p> <p>HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.</p>	<p><u>Additional Comments (optional)</u></p> <p>“I think this subdivision is just what Kauai needs badly . we have a shortage of housing on kauai . this will give people great opportunity to start their family . we can not let this not happen . close to the school and Kapaa town . i am all in for this . thanks Gregg” – Len Wheatley</p> <p>“I think this subdivision is just what Kauai needs badly . we have a shortage of housing” – Len Wheatley</p> <p>“we need affordable housing on Kauai. We also need traffic solutions. This community provides both. My name is John Jordan and I support HoKua Place.” – John Jordan</p> <p>“Lets Go!” – David Herr</p> <p>“Sounds my only concern would be how you can live there it seems like the philipinos trying to save money get all the good places to live and there's nothing affordable I approve of anything that improves Kaua‘i” – Andrew Sanchez</p> <p>“HoKua will allow some of my families as first time buyers a place that is where they work and near family and friends. There are wonderful family amenities and near</p>

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					<p>Kapaa Town that will help them and the stores in our community stay small town. This means their children will grow up going to the same schools my children grew up in.” – Bridget Arume</p> <p>“Awesome!!!!” – Leah Schneemann</p> <p>“Couldn't agree more!” – Chad Lord</p>
69	4/?/16	<p><b><u>Submitter’s Name</u></b>                      Lori Benkert                      Brandie McCarthy                      Darcy Yamamoto                      Brooke Hoyle                      (submitted twice)                      Lisa Lang                      Dan Bowers                      Craig Arant                      Paul Cassidy                      Randy Long                      Drake Allen                      Link Lindquist                      Brad Johnson                      Silvia Galiza                      McKenna Lewis                      Miles Greenberg                      Raymond Reade                      Doi Klinpratoom                      Sean Loveridge                      Jean Reade</p>	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (online 3)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. .</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p> <p>HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.</p>	<p><b><u>Additional Comments (optional)</u></b>                      “Aloha, My name is Brandie McCarthy. I believe this project would be a great addition to the community. I have several friends and family members who have gone through tough times and homelessness. Although people may not see it, this island is in need of more affordable housing. I would like to share a little bit about my personal experience with housing and homelessness as a teenager on Kauai. But first and foremost I want to make aware of the hardships and trouble people endure on this island. I have met countless homeless teenagers and adults that have stable jobs and have exercised responsibility and have hard earned respect from individuals in the community. However, due to the highly expensive monthly rent and utility fees on Kauai they have either</p>

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					<p>lost housing or their job (sometimes more than one) doesn't provide them with enough money to live a sustainable life. This housing not only will provide beautiful places for the low income community, it will give people hope. It will bring people together. Building these housing complexes will enable and empower people to live a good life and not have to struggle as hard without these types of opportunities. As a teenager on Kauai, I've experienced firsthand homelessness and poverty while still in high school. I turned 18 in February of my senior year and was forced to take care of myself while still working hard in school. I had nowhere to go and no money to even get a room somewhere. I ended up couch hopping and sometimes not being able to go to school. The main place I stayed was in Kekaha, meanwhile I was working in Hanalei and going to Kapaa High school. There are so many other people who have had similar experiences and are through the same problems as I did. Right now I am currently blessed with a temporary housing situation because of the aloha spirit on this</p>

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					<p>beautiful island. The idea of this housing lifts my soul because it's such a positive thing that the community needs. I give this 100% of my support. Good luck with this project. Aloha!"</p> <p>"I just looked over this website.i really hope this comes to pass. This idea is going to help so many people." – Brooke Hoyle</p> <p>"I think this would be beyond awesome. I was born and raised in Kauai and went to Kauai high. I think it would be awesome for there to be some affordable housing so I can move back one day. Holy a place is in a great location and it would be the perfect place to live." – Drake Allen</p> <p>"I agree completely with the thoughts expressed here. Mahalo." – Link Lindquist</p> <p>"While I think most Kauai residents would agree that we preserve the rural beauty of our unique island home. However, limited and thoughtful growth is inexorable. Housing availability has reached a critical threshold. This planned</p>

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					community I predict will be an award-winning model 4 future similar projects in this County and across the state. Thank you for your consideration” – Miles Greenberg
70	4/?/16	<p><b>Submitter’s Name</b>                      Mike Robinson                      Chaysen Medina                      Darlene Sillanpaa                      Darla Cox                      Melissa Greenberg                      Leonard Peters                      Jason Hoyle                      Amy Anderson                      Clark Carr                      Greg Allen</p>	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p><b>HoKua Place Support Letter (online 4)</b></p> <p>I am in support of HoKua Place. We need to be smart about what development is allowed. I don't want Kauai's beaches and beautiful areas commercialized, but I also don't want to pretend there is no need for carefully planned growth.</p> <p>Putting a carefully planned subdivision behind Kapa'a town is a good idea. They are taking a discarded cane field and blending houses and parks to make it beautiful and functional. ·</p> <p>Let's tend to our Garden Isle, not neglect it. With thoughtful planning we can keep Kauai beautiful while providing deliberate planned growth, not random sprawl.</p> <p>Kauai will continue to grow. If you do nothing, or stop everything, we will either continue to get the rambling expansion that is eating up our most treasured places, or the outrageous prices of the few remaining homes will force our youth to move elsewhere.</p> <p>HoKua Place is specifically designed for Kauai. Let's let it move forward.</p>	<p><b>Additional Comments (optional)</b>                      “Please listen to the voice of the local Kauai citizens for Hokua Place Development” – Mike Robinson</p> <p>“I am definitely on board with this idea. Please keep me posted on the progress of this.” – Chaysen Medina</p> <p>“I love this idea! I am currently on the mainland since my husband passed away. I would love to be back around my family again in a home of my own. Something like this would be wonderful.” – Darlene Sillanpaa</p> <p>“After living on Kauai for 12 years, we had to leave, it was impossible to find affordable housing.” – Darla Cox</p>
71	4/26/16	Handwritten letter from Joe Quiones to Plan Kauai	HoKua Place	<p><b>To whom it may concern:</b></p> <p>My name is Joe Quiones. I am a resident of Līhu‘e. I heard about Hokua place. I checked it out on line. This is a great</p>	

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				<p>opportunity for the people of Kaua‘i. I am very interested in Hokua place.</p> <p>Mahalo, Joe Quiones</p>	
72	4/25/16	Handwritten letter from Gina Ohta to Plan Kauai	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p>*Hokua Place*</p> <p>I feel this is something many people will be interested in. I hope this development will come to pass. I am in full support of this idea. Please contact me with any questions.</p> <p>Sincerely, Gina Ochata</p>	
73	4/26/16	Handwritten letter from Sandra R. S. Williams to Plan Kauai	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p>Aloha Greg Allen, family, friends, and associates.</p> <p>My name is Sandra Stuart-Williams. Along with my husband, Digby Stuart-Williams, we are residents of Kaua‘i, and business owners. We have been on Kaua‘i for 12+ years.</p> <p>We both have known the Allens for the best part of 9 years on a professional and business level. We have, over our 12 years here, not had an opportunity to become home owners and have always rented. The struggle to find a home for sale and one we could afford was and is overwhelming. With many homes on Kaua‘i becoming old and local home owners looking for replacements, the need for newly established communities is greatly needed.</p> <p>Hokua Place – a residential community designed for the people of Kaua‘i, as well defined, has kept the people of Kaua‘i uppermost on their plans that include road improvements, bus stops, sidewalks, bike paths, and walking paths. Hokua Place, a variety of housing needs would like to build a new community to serve Kaua‘i and its growing population. They plan on maintaining 14 acres of open space, a community swimming pool and have even</p>	

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				<p>foreseen a 3 acre park by the middle school. With a population growth as far back as 2013 Kaua‘i County was Hawai‘i’s fastest growing adding 1,117 during a one year period of time.</p> <p>Digby and I, Sandra Stuart Williams, offer our full support to this project.</p>	
74	4/27/16	Handwritten letter from David Ball to Plan Kauai	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing	<p>Hokua Place in Kapa‘a, Kaua‘i is a benefit to our island and its community. We need a sustainable and affordable housing development to preserve and protect this beautiful island. Hokua Place will provide an opportunity for the local residents to maintain living without paying rent. It will provide solutions for several of the current issues we face in Kapa‘a, and the pro’s of Hokua Place strongly outweigh the cons. Please consider the benefits and positive aspects that Hokua Place will bring to Kaua‘i.</p> <p>Mahalo Nui Loa, Dave Ball</p>	
<b>Emailed Testimonies to HoKua Place</b>					
75	5/10/15	Christy Kauai Lindstrom email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I will be amazing to have homes we can afford.	
76	5/10/15	David James email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	It’s about time. The residents of Kauai and others who love the island have been waiting too long for an affordable option for owning their own place in paradise.	
77	5/10/15	Vivian Walker email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic, Infrastructure	I like the idea of the parks, bike path, single family homes and most of all to alleviate traffic in Kapaa. A road from the south end of the bypass going to Olohena would help. This is such a great plan for the island of Kauai, we should all be on board.	

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78	5/12/15	Rick Newton? email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I wish to send my letter of support for HoKua Place development and housing . The housing and development is well thought out , friendly to the area and environment in addition to the fact that housing is very much needed in this area .	
79	5/16/15	Pete Gallardo email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	This is very important that the housing is going to affordable and they keep east side so it don't get too crowded I looked and read all that is available it looks good for everyone not just real estate agents but for first time buyers as well and possible rentera thanks for giving east side residents a chance to have something of their own. Mahalo Pete gallardo	
80	5/18/15	Scott Dandos (Prescott Glass & Mirror, Inc.) email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	My name is Scott Dandos. I have been a business owner in Arizona for over 20 years. My family has been visiting Kauai for many years and we love the Island and it’s citizens. Lately I have read about the proposed development, HoKua Place, and I really like what HoKua Place adds to the Island. The developers have thoroughly thought of all aspects of development; environmental, community, traffic and even affordable housing. I am writing you, showing my strong support for this much needed community. I feel it will be an asset to Kauai and its people.	
81	5/23/15	Jill W email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing, Infrastructure, e, Traffic	I understand and agree with need for increased affordable housing development. There is much talk of traffic and road infrastructure and that is just a fragment of the impact of a large scale housing development. I understand that most of what is printed on you website speaks to the mass cry but there are other items that are missing on your list of improvements that might help sell your project as well. There is only one mention of building a new school and that is hidden in with other items. As a parent and educator I know of the overcrowded schools. That should be a priority in pushing your plan as well as a shopping center.	

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				<p>The density of families that will be living in the new community will not only impact roads. It is the assumption of the public that all residents will get in their cars, bypass Kapaa and head to work in Lihue. That's just not real life. They will have children who need to go to school and EAT. I would not choose a neighborhood where my child will be on of 40+ students in a classroom. There are already 30+ per class in many of the Kapaa schools as Hawaii has no class size limits, only what is dictated by the fire department. I would not choose to purchase in a community where I would need to drive down a hill to a grocery store where I would still get caught in Kapaa traffic because the roads near the groceries were not being improved and then waiting on even longer check out lines....I'd choose to move elsewhere. This is not a simple "If I build it they will come".</p> <p>I would happily move into a planned community with a grocery and school in my neighborhood. Bike paths and a pool are just to placate. You need to stop reacting to the superficial cries, but that is cheaper, isn't it. As developers you are aware that communities like the one I described are successfully built and sold all over the world. It's what people want. It does cost more and take more time to build, as you know. However, if you presented the public with a livable plan, a plan for the future with shopping, schools, a bike path and a pool, the public would accept it with open arms and you would appear to have been listening all along.</p>	
82	5/29/15	Greg Allen email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing, Where we Live	Wow: How long have we been waiting for a project like this in Kapaa. I am very excited, we have been living at the North shore for many years and have considered moving to kapaa to be closer to friends and relatives as well as closer to all the amenities the large city has to offer. Now the	

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		(also submitted support letters in 2016)		opportunity to live in a new planned community IN KAPAA cannot be passed up. The time saved commuting and wear and tear on my vehicles as well as on my nerves make the move a no-brainer Thank You Thank You Thank You!!! Sincerely Greg Allen	
83	6/03/15	Rick Newton email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place	What an an amazing project ! A development like HoKua is just what Kauai needs ! Let's push this through !	
84	6/03/15	Amy Anderson email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I have been looking forward to the Hokua subdivision for many years. I feel that it will provide much needed housing opportunities for our islands residents. It has been sustainably planned, the location is good for the east side families. Please do not stop this progress. Our island people deserve new housing options.	
85	6/03/15	Troy Anderson email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I support the development of the Hokua subdivision. I encourage the county and state to support this kind of responsible development. I look forward to seeing it completed.	
86	6/03/15	Don Bauder email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	This looks like it will be a wonderful place to live and raise a family. It seems to be well planned. I look forward to seeing a ground breaking ceremony soon!	
87	6/03/15	Ann Bills email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	After reviewing this project, it seems like this would be an improvement for the island of Kauai. We love the island and have owned property there and now visit on a regular basis. I would love to see projects of the HaKua Place quality go forward to help the local people with great housing and amenities. This is a well planned project that will make Kauai a nicer place to live. I can see no negative impacts to this project. It should be a beautiful addition to the island and I like the way they have addressed the traffic issues as well.	

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88	6/03/15	Cornelia Carruthers email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic Infrastructure, Housing	It is important to have the by pass road donated to continue to help the traffic situation. The homes would further support the Kapa‘a area business, The amenities will be a benefit to all. The affordable housing is needed. A planned community will be positive growth. I hope this project will get approved. Along time coming.	
89	6/03/15	Adam Cordon email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic Infrastructure, Housing	I support Hokua Place. I believe the impact will be positive for our community. We need affordable housing and better traffic flow. Kauai needs planned communities vs sprawled growth. The amenities will add much to our community. I support this effort whole heartedly. Please Consider the much needed positive impact HoKau will have on Kapa'a Town and Kauai.	
90	6/03/15	Robert Hastings email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Infrastructure, Housing	I have been familiar with the HOKUA PLACE project for a number of years and have driven across and around the site. In my opinion the location, terrain, surrounding infrastructure, school and development plan combine to make HOKUA PLACE deserving of approval. The benefits to the community are enormous and the costs are few. In terms of market demand, now is the time. In addition, Greg Allen and his family and partners appear to be caring and very deserving of an approval of HOKUA PLACE at this time.	
91	6/03/15	Kit Robinson email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Sustainability, Housing	I am in total support of the development of HoKua Place. Kauai needs all kinds of single and family affordable housing and HoKua Place will greatly assist in fulfilling that requirement. Smart growth for Kauai is mandatory and the developers have the only well constructed plan that will provide for the immediate needs of our community and sustainability for our future. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.	
92	6/03/15	Cherie Sarne email to	HoKua Place, Housing	My family of seven children are now young adults and we are excited at this opportunity for them to become	

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		PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com		homeowners in our community. We hope to see your project move forward.	
93	6/03/15	Kathryne Tapia email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	It has been a long time coming for the people of Kauai to have more affordable housing. More and more local people are leaving the island because of the lack of this. Please move forward with this amazing plan. We deserve it.	
94	6/04/15	Kathleen A Schmidt Kenneth J Terheggen email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing, Where We Live	Aloha OEQC It is very important that we all give our support to the development of HoKua Place. The future for our children and their ability to stay on Kauai when they grow into adults depends on the development of more housing like HoKua Place. Our adult children have been forced to move off the island in order to afford a home due to the shortage of affordable homes on Kauai. HoKua Place offers more than affordable housing and will benefit the entire community and schools. We ask that OEQC please take the time to consider all of the benefits that this development has to offer the people of Kauai. It is badly needed.	
95	6/05/15	Richard Sheldon email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing, Traffic	I am a long time resident of Kapaa. I was born, raised in this small plantation community that experienced its growth through plantations in agriculture, beginning with Rice farmers followed by Sugar and Pineapple plantations. Plantation camps were the first developed areas for housing of its workers and families. Lots for residential housing in Kapaa became available about 1915. Kapaa has not seen a housing development of this magnitude in the HoKua Place project. I am writing IN SUPPORT of this project. This projects attention to address Kauai's need for affordable housing can only have good results of providing and integrating needed housing without the stigma of public housing. HoKua Place can only improve the quality of life for all throughout the Kawaihau community. I do not see this project as adding to our traffic congestion as most	

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				<p>of those purchasing or living in Hokua Place will be those already living in the area. I believe State Highway Officials should be the ones to address the traffic concerns . The plans for this development seems to meet the needs for those who want to remain home on Kauai . Recent developments on Kauai have not addressed the housing crisis adequately except for the upper middle socio economic families, and driving up housing and property costs and value. I am sincerely asking all in approval process to give this project, HoKua Place your support.</p>	
96	6/07/15	Kelli Isakson email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Infrastructure, e, Housing	<p>To Whom It May Concern:</p> <p>This might sound odd to kick off a letter of support, but I am not big on development and generally favor beautiful vast fields of wild growth, especially when developments have already overwhelmed an area. AND YET, after reviewing the plans for HoKua Place and evaluating some of the issues that this project hopes to alleviate and lives it anticipates improving, I add my voice of SUPPORT to this endeavor.</p> <p>First of all, I really appreciate the effort Hokua Place makes to strengthen the community through diversity, both socioeconomically and developmentally in terms of the types of housing and the uses of extra space. The solar farm and large open spaces built into the design are progressive and will enhance the area.</p> <p>Another element of this project I appreciate is the acknowledgment and RESPONSE by the planners to concerns about traffic. Rather than ignoring this issue and trying to eclipse it with an agenda or push beyond it with platitudes, the developers have addressed it with detailed plans that will prevent those problems from ever arising. I especially like the proposed bike and pedestrian overpass!</p>	

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				<p>While we like to imagine living in a blissfully underpopulated, pristine place, it is important to face the reality that growth is inevitable. To accommodate this growth, the HoKua Place project has created a solid, thorough, thoughtful, informed, forward-looking vision of how to address this issue and is ready to make it happen for the island.</p> <p>I hope that you will APPROVE this project!</p>	
97	6/09/15	Ron Agor emailed Comment to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Land Use, Housing, Traffic, Economic Dev	<p>The Kauai General Plan specifically designates this property for housing. I am a firm believer in the General Plan and I am strongly supporting this project. This planned community offers more to our island than any other subdivision on Kauai ever.</p> <p>The projects traffic mitigation proposals are acceptable. I know that Kauai is concerned about traffic, but this concern will be and is currently being studied by government. In the meantime, we need to get started on this planned community where affordable housing is the crux of the proposal. We need to get our young working families into homes now, so their equity can start working for them. We can't wait until all the traffic problems are solved because it just won't be any time soon. This project will increase the tax base for the county and state such that funding for solutions to our traffic concerns can become a reality.</p>	
98	6/09/15	Lynn Boyer email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place	This will be a significant improvement with many benefits.	
99	6/10/15	Micah Mokuahi email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic Infrastructure, Housing	I hope that HoKua place will be truly affordable and attainable for the people who live and contribute to our community. We don't need another vacation home community, that our working people can't afford. Which is	

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				<p>another multifaceted issue, but I think this is a step in the right direction.</p> <p>They seem to have done their due diligence in fitting in with the area they want to build. Addressing traffic concerns, giving the whole community usable spaces like the pool and bike paths. Also using an area that was already in the plans for residential usage. All in all, this is a good thing for Kapaa.</p>	
100	6/10/15	Austin Cook email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic Infrastructure, Environment, Housing	<p>I am all for the HoKua Place development project. Though roads are being improved in Lihue to help the flow of traffic, I feel that Kapaa still has a major traffic problem. This project offers a solution to this traffic, as well as it offers new housing for residents. Kauai's population is growing and as the number of residents rises, the number of options for housing must rise as well in order for families to have homes available. It seems to me that a smart plan that has been thought through is in place for the project. The project is designed to respect the environment and agriculture of the area as well as respect the culture of native Hawaiians (local Kupuna has been talked to). The community will also be out of the flood zone, which is a smart decision considering that Kauai often has heavy rains and tsunami warnings.</p> <p>In conclusion, I feel that urban development is much needed here on Kauai, especially with our roads, and the HoKua Place project goes about this development in a wise and thoughtful manner.</p>	
101	6/10/15	Kevin Cram email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	<p>I think Hokua Place would be a benefit to the island by providing an additional community where people can live and enjoy the island lifestyle. Our families will continue to grow and we will need more housing and communities for them to live. The other option, it seems, is to create more</p>	

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				multi-generational homes making existing areas more crowded. I would support the development of this area.	
102	6/10/15	LeGrand Lee email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic, Infrastructure, Housing	I don't understand the dilemma Hokua place is answering many of the problems that have plagued Kapa'a and Kaua'i for years. they will be putting in roads and helping Kapa'as traffic problems. They will be making Kapa'a middle school safer to get to and from. Supplying parks, pool, and most important housing for the working class. It is in an area planned for housing, all with no significant negative impacts. obviously anyone complaining about this has not looked at all of the facts and are merely reacting with no investigation. the more I look at the facts the more excited to see Hokua place move forward.	
103	6/10/15	Andy Stennett email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic, Infrastructure, Housing	This is definitely the way to grow our infrastructure, and increase the supply of much needed housing in Kauai. I know of so many people who can't even find a reasonably priced place to rent, let alone buy because of the housing shortage. Kauai, especially the east shore, is going to need to grow no matter what--and this is the way to make sure that it happens professionally, orderly, and beneficially for all.  As far as I can see, what, if any serious concerns, have the developers failed to address?  And in return for the proper clearances and approval they are going to give us sooo much. How is this not a good idea?!?	
104	6/10/15	Elias Story email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Land Use	Hokua Place is a smart investment for our community on Kauai. I will be very happy to see the improvements that it will bring. It appears to be a good use of the land that follows the plans that Kauai has made. I give my support for Hokua Place.	

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105	6/11/15	William Withers email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where We Live	Knowing Greg Allen and all involved, this will be a subdivision of highest quality and integrity. This is a vision to do the right thing for Kauai. There will always be growth but this subdivision is focused on enjoyment and conveniences for the family community. Please support HoKua Place.	
106	6/11/15	Vivian Walker email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic, Infrastructure, Housing	Reading about HoKua Place makes one think this is what is needed here on Kauai and the other islands, to have affordable housing, in an environment where we can feel safe. In a community with everything within ones reach, parks, swimming pool, and traffic to flow better. We need this type of life style now. We need traffic to improve especially when we have an accident and get backed up for hours. This seem like a simple solution to many problems we face now. Where the future for the children can offer them to live here and work here instead of moving to the mainland to buy homes. This is the future for Kauai.	
107	6/11/15	Phil Mulligan email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I feel that this would be a good fit for Kauai and wish we had something like this on Maui. It is being done the right way at the right time. Affordable housing is truly needed and should be fast tracked to help the working people. Please approve this project to help the community to provide jobs, housing and a new community.	
108	6/11/15	Sherri Gifford email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live	I support this project and think it will be a great addition to our island and communities.	
109	6/11/15	Ike Cockett email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Housing	I am in support of Hokua Place. From what I've read, Hokua Place will be a nice addition to the local community. Commuting options will ease the traffic burden in the Kapaa area. Enhanced amenities will have the potential to bring additional business revenue to our island economy.	

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				Additional single family and affordable housing will add to the housing solution on Kaua‘i. Mahalo for your consideration.	
110	6/11/15	Steve Hammond email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live	I think the project is great. I want to live there. I think that the community and outlining areas will benefit greatly from this project.	
111	6/13/15	Bob Cox email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic Infrastructure, Housing	<p>I would like to voice my support for the planned HoKua Place in Kapa‘a. As a resident of Kauai for the past 12 years I have witnessed first hand the traffic congestion problems in Kapa‘a.</p> <p>I support a new road so traffic can flow through HoKua Place instead of in front of the middle school that backs up clear up to the school from the traffic circle in the mornings!</p> <p>As a bike rider, I love the idea of having a overpass for bikes and pedestrians to safely cross the bypass on their way to Kapa‘a Town. Not to mention, the needed new housing in Kapa‘a. The proposed 86 single-family houses and 57 multi-family townhouses in the HoKua Place Development, which a percentage of will be affordable low income housing.</p> <p>What a blessing it will be to have a new community pool and cultural pavilion, new bike paths, and parks where our keiki can safely play. With over 17 acres of parks and open spaces and another 66 acres for agricultural. HoKua Place has a solar farm, and their own water well that will produce an excess of water that can be used throughout Kapa‘a. My question is really what is not to like about this planned community?</p> <p>Regardless of how we feel, there will be growth on Kauai, let it be well planned and thought out like this planned development has been. Hats off to Greg Allen and company for doing it right!</p>	

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112	6/14/15	Pete Gallardo email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	This a good thing with no rentals available on KAUAI locals and kamaainas can secure their future with a purchase of affordable houses and condominiums some of us will be able to live like middle class citizens with out working three jobs that would be great to offer something to the regular families on KAUAI where the county has failed time and time again to do as they promised so many times they need help expedite the process instead of hendering it that is not good for KAUAI people that the planning commission makes decisions for us the people if they want to stop the progress of Kaua‘i maybe they have stopped Costco or Home Depot the big box stores before they close all the mom and pop stores now abc stores are making too new stores south side there goes seokas and Kukiula store already approved buy commission pushed threw the system instead of hendering it funny how that works they don't want it to be like other islands but they do everything in there power to do so thanks for your consideration on this matter help these developers and coco palms I am tired of seeing such beautiful property go to the waste side mahalo concerned citizen	
113	6/15/15	Doug Richards email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live	I think this would be a positive planned community for Kauai	
114	6/16/15	Garry Jeppesen email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Traffic, Infrastructur e	I believe that unplanned sprawl, especially in the more rural areas of Kauai is much worse than a well planned development close to a major town. There is going to be growth on the island and something that is well planned is going to have less impact than random single homes going up all over. I believe that concentrating the development close to Kapaa will mean less traffic and less miles driven than the same number of homes spread all over. The other	

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				amenities like the new swimming pool and roads will benefit all and this is something that doesn't come with single homes being built. It's time for almost all growth to be done in a similar manner to HoKua Place. Planned growth is necessary to provide the best future for all of Kauai. Garry Jeppesen	
115	6/23/15	James Hall email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Where we Live, Housing	To whom it may concern, Although I grew up on Maui and have only visited Kauai, I support this project named Hokua Place. Having watched Maui's growth since 1969, I have seen many developments passed through with little realistic planning and the negative results over the years afterwards. I have known Greg Allen and his family for years and believe that they operate from the best of intentions when planning a development such as this. I believe that the people, especially the families of Kauai are foremost in their thoughts for this project. I won't comment on the specifics of the project, I just want to support the project overall and support Greg Allen and his family in going forth on this project. After 44 years of living on Maui, I was put on disability and subsequently went through bankruptcy and foreclosure of the home I owned for 13 years. Many of my friends and family have lost their homes over the years and like myself, forced to leave Hawaii due to the high cost or lack of housing on Maui. I support allowing people and families to at least have a choice to remain on an island they call home. Please consider this project carefully and allow it to move forward.	
116	7/15/15	Thomas Horn email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Infrastructure, Housing	we need more housing on Kauai..this is a excellent plan ..affordable housing with these amenities will be a positive addition to our island..its well planned with its own solar farm and its own well..these are the kind of projects that	

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				we need more of to alleviate the shortage of housing .. i have been a resident since 76 and seen many projects..this is one of the best	
117	10/8/15	Ian Nitta email to PeterYoung@Hookeleana.com	HoKua Place, Infrastructure, Housing, Where We Live	<p>Aloha Land Use Commission,</p> <p>I am the father of a young family, with long roots that stem from Kekaha. We rent in Wailua. Our dreams for our family is to be able to own a home here on the island as our parents before us. Small communities like this can make those dreams possible.</p> <p>I understand that changes to our local neighborhood can be scary. In the past decade we have seen many. However, there is great potential for positive change in the local community, especially with a future of new young residents who know the communities intimately and are vested in it's positive growth.</p> <p>I foresee young local families being able to set roots and raise a generation aware of the local needs of the community. Our local schools will benefit from the young families. Local families currently residing in multi-generational houses may find opportunity to develop their own strong roots in Kapaa, building upon the already long rich history.</p> <p>Young families will also benefit the businesses of the city. We have 3 large schools that will benefit from growing enrollment, providing jobs. Local commerce in Kapaa will also benefit. With more regular residents, small Kapaa businesses can lessen their volatile dependence on the tourism market.</p> <p>I think there is a lot of potential in this neighborhood and it looks like Hokua Place is really doing their part to make it beneficial to the local population. Besides, if we don't make</p>	

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				place for our young generation here on Kauai, we'll lose them to Maui.	
118	3/12/16	Linda Sprengeler email to PeterYoung@Hoo kuleana.com	HoKua Place, Infrastructure, Housing, Parks	Kauai desperately needs affordable housing and the HoKua Place development addresses this critical need. The relatively flat land parcel is above the flood zone, making it ideal for housing. The subdivision will be away from the ocean beaches and will not spoil the Oceanside beauty and will not negatively impact tourist attractions. The pedestrian/bike paths will encourage some folks to transport themselves to Kapa'a Town via walking or biking (thus reducing auto traffic on Kapa'a roads). The nearby community pool will keep local people safe from ocean drownings and reduce auto/pedestrian traffic near tourist beach areas. The 17 acres of parks and open spaces will add to quality of life of the local residents and reduce traffic of local folks traveling to highly touristed sites to hike, bike, play, relax, etc. If a community food mart is opened on the parcel, auto traffic into Kapa'a will be reduced.	
119	6/06/16	William C.V. Imbert email to plankauai	Infrastructure and Public Facilities, Transportation	I am 29 and studying engineering at KCC. I moved to Kauai in February of 2016. I bike everywhere: house near Wilcox Elementary to work in Kukui Grove to the college to Kalapaki Beach. The road up from Kalapaki with the Marriott entrance is treacherous. Haleko Road from Rice Street to Kukui Grove is also treacherous. There is not enough shoulder to make a biker safe on these two crucial connection points: between the beach and downtown Lihue and between downtown Lihue and Kukui Grove. Kukui Grove to Kalapaki Beach on Nawiliwili Street is great. Haleko is faster than taking the highway.	6/07/16 email response from Marissa:  Aloha,  Mahalo for sharing your comments with us! Since you live, work and go to school within the Lihue area, you may be interested in attending the Lihue Town Core Tiger Project Public Open House and Meeting we are having on Thursday, July 21st. Come learn and provide input on the Lihue Town Core improvements. I've

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					attached a flyer with more information.  Please let me know if you have any questions!
120	6/21/16	Handwritten Testimony sent by Lisa Cook (31 years old wanting to buy a home) Email Address: <a href="mailto:lcook245@gmail.com">lcook245@gmail.com</a>  Mailing Address: 1090 Kealoha Road, Kapa‘a 96746	Housing Affordability	Affordable housing is definitely a crisis in Hawai‘i. I strongly support clustering houses within a community & using existing infrastructure as much as possible. For gen X & Gen Y the idea of even purchasing a home seems out of reach. We have no problems living in smaller housing on MUCH smaller lots, at least it would put the idea of being able to buy a home in the range of possibility. Furthermore, affordable housing needs to remain affordable. I understand the need to raise property taxes as the value of the property goes up, but in order to be affordable a house can’t sell for market value. Another idea is land leasing & allowing people to build units as small homes, I believe the fee from the lease would generate revenue for the county, state, & eventually recoup the cost of any new infrastructure needed. Thank you for taking the time to read this.	Received and noted
121	6/29/2016	Email sent by Geoff Shields to plankauai	Housing, Infrastructure, Kapa‘a Highlands Phase II project	Aloha Planning Department Members,  Having attended the General Plan Update 6/21/16 hosted by the County Planning Department, I wanted to share some thoughts on my take-aways from the evening.	Email reply from Marie Williams, 6/30/2016:  Thank you for the email, Geoff! We appreciate the recommendations and proposed solution. Please stay updated by joining the General Plan mailing list at plankauai.com.  Marie

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				<p>1) The presenters and committee members share a commitment to work on the affordable housing "crisis" on Kauai.</p> <p>2) Some of the data accumulated and shared in the presentation needs further parsing to become relevant and useful.</p> <p>3) A number of the affordable housing communities under "Planned Projects" may not serve the demand of low-to-medium income families, while exacerbating Kauai's infrastructure deficiencies.</p> <p>As a homeowner in the Wailua Homestead, I am particularly concerned with the Kapa'a Highlands Phase II Project. There is an overwhelming consensus among Kapa'a residents that this development should not be advanced (no SLU Amendment) until an approved and funded remedy to the Kapa'a traffic "crisis" is documented, with a delivery timeline preceding occupancy at the Highlands Project. I do not consider this an unreasonable condition, rather one that exemplifies a council that prioritizes valid concerns of homeowners. A legitimate master plan incorporates infrastructure upgrades as a prerequisite, not reactive as future conditions warrant.</p> <p>Kapa'a traffic is already a growing problem lacking a solution. It would be irresponsible to continue kicking this can down the road while granting further permitting.</p>	

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122	6/26/2016	Email from Robin Yost (Kapa‘a) to Plankauai	Housing, Infrastructure, Zoning, Hokua Place	<p>Respectfully,</p> <p>Aloha CAC,</p> <p>I am writing on behalf of being part of the solution, to what Kauai desperately needs. We all know about how bad the housing and traffic problems are here. Crisis point.</p> <p>Here's what you can do in your planning decisions to help:</p> <p>1) Place a moratorium on permits for subdivisions, that aren't 100% affordable housing.</p> <p>2) Place a moratorium on permits for any new resort. There are enough here. Tourists come because they want and love the rural environment.</p> <p>3) Do not allow for the proposed up-zoning of 97 acres, behind Kapaa Middle School. Please amend the last GPU to keep the land zoned as is-----agriculture. Please stop Hokua Place subdivision---which is only proposing a small percent of affordable housing, and will create dire traffic congestion.</p> <p>Thank you for making the right decisions.</p>	<p>6/30/16 email response from Marie Williams:</p> <p>Thank you for your input. Please stay updated by joining our email list at plankauai.com.</p> <p>Mahalo!</p> <p>Marie Williams, AICP Long Range Planning Manager</p>
123	8/17/2016	Emailed letter from Rayne Regush to Marie Williams	RE: Follow-up to August 3, 2016 General Plan Update Meeting at	<p>Aloha Marie,</p> <p>We are writing on behalf of the representatives of 7 of Kauai’s 8 neighborhood associations who attended the August 3rd meeting to discuss concerns related to growth management in the General Plan Update. First, all of us thank you and Lee Steinmetz for the information you both provided, and for contributing</p>	

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			Kapa‘a Library	<p>your time and input throughout the entire meeting. Second, we are following up on the group’s request that was made to the Planning Department regarding the next step in the General Plan Update process. As you know, the 34 meeting participants expressed what appeared to be unanimous agreement that prior to releasing a first draft of the Plan, that the Planning Department first conduct a series of meetings with the neighborhood associations and other community groups. The purpose would be for the Department to lay out General Plan growth management strategies that are under consideration and to obtain community feedback on the key elements of those strategies, prior to the Department deciding which subset of policies/strategies should be included in the draft General Plan.</p> <p>The topics of those alternative strategies and policies should include encouraging or discouraging further growth in the tourist sector and other sectors of the economy; housing development and land use in Kauai’s communities; commercial/ resort/ industrial growth of Kauai’s communities; the overall physical/land-use/density changes to Kauai’s communities; and possibly one-or-two other strongly-interconnected topics, such as the transportation-related ramifications of the various growth strategies. We would be happy to designate a few people to meet with you to help define the growth-related topics that we believe to be of greatest consequence and relevance.</p>	

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				<p>We recognize that offering a series of county-hosted regional meetings as we requested is not currently part of the General Plan Update process. However, since much of the General Plan rests on decisions about growth, we strongly request that the County get direction from the public on the key strategies prior to releasing a first draft.</p> <p>Please let me know the Planning Department’s response to this request, and I will convey it to the eight neighborhood associations and the other meeting participants.</p> <p>Sincerely, Rayne Regush W-KNA Chair</p>	
124		Email from Anne Walton Kapa'a, Hawai'i to Plankauai		<p>Aloha Neighborhood Associations,</p> <p>To date we have only heard from Hanalei to Haena, Princeville, and Hapapepe/Eleele NAs on dates for a next meeting and representation. Not quite enough to make a decision on when we want to meet again, so we would really like to hear from the rest of you.</p> <p>As per a previous email we sent you about a week and a half ago, the Planning Dept. is planning on holding public meetings this week on Sept. 8 and 9. Additionally, they will meet with the neighborhood associations. <b>Would you prefer to have one meeting with all NAs represented, or separate meetings with</b></p>	<p>9/6/2016 Email response from Marie Williams:</p> <p>Aloha Anne –</p> <p>Thank you for copying me in your email. First of all, everyone please take the survey at <a href="http://plankauai.com">plankauai.com</a>. I have attached copies of the draft vision statement and policies.</p> <p>The public discussion draft, to be released on October 7th, will</p>

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				<p><b>the Planning Dept. This really speaks to whether we are more powerful as a single voice, or do you want to be heard separately?</b></p> <p>Finally, and in regards to meeting with the Planning Dept., I ran into Helen Cox at the World Conservation Congress. She said the CAC had a good workshop on Land Use on August 30, where they really had an opportunity to look at and explore the zoning maps. However, she also said that the draft General Plan is still scheduled to be released in October for public review. Which clearly means it must be pretty much drafted at this point. So the question remains, to what degree is public input going to influence the final General Plan? And, as Carl said at our August 3 meeting, once the draft is completed, the concrete is poured. Will we just be making recommendations to tweak a document that has already framed our future. This too needs to be addressed with the Planning Dept. ASAP.</p> <p>Looking forward to hearing your responses.</p>	<p>reflect over <u>16 months</u> of public input. The draft plan is being developed from the contribution of all who have shared their concerns, ideas, recommendations, and vision for Kaua'i since May 2015.</p> <p>Also, by no means has the “concrete been poured”. Getting to a final plan is an iterative process, and come October, we are expecting a healthy and vibrant public discussion about the many facets of the plan.</p> <p>That is why we welcome and need your input (whether as a single group, separate groups, or as individuals), especially in the Fall when we vet the draft and maps. Much work left and we appreciate the passion and knowledge you all bring to this process.</p> <p>Mahalo,</p>

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125	9/6/2016	Email from Anne Walton Kapa'a, Hawai'i to Plankauai		<p>Thanks Marie for your response.</p> <p>I reviewed the draft policies and have attached my comments for the public record. I hope this is useful and the comments will be considered before rolling out either the draft and/or final plan. I will also follow-up with the survey.</p> <p>Thanks very much.</p> <p>Best, Anne</p> <p>[Attached word doc letter]</p> <p><b>COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT GENERAL PLAN POLICIES (AUGUST 2016)</b>  <i>Respectfully Submitted by Anne Walton to the Wailua-Kapaa NA on Sept. 5, 2016</i>  <i>(Without the text of the DGP as a reference point, I don't have a full understanding of the context and application of the policies. As such, my comments are limited to the principles as provided by the Planning Dept. in August 2016)</i></p> <p><b>POINTS OF CONSIDERATION</b></p>	

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				<p><b>In General:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ If we were to set some specific targets for much of the policy points below, it would be far more binding and functional in terms of actually realizing some measureable results in regards to managing growth and determining more specifically what kind of growth we would like to see. Otherwise, this is just guidance and there is nothing binding about it.</li> <li>▪ If those targets could also be linked to meeting sustainability targets (e.g., the Aloha+ Challenge targets), then we can actually serve 2 purposes – controlling growth <i>and</i> moving towards a more sustainable model for the future on an island with limited resources, space, and opportunities correcting mistakes. Our Mayor signed onto this initiative in July 2014.</li> <li>▪ Having said the above, I would strongly recommend we set specific short, long and mid-term measureable and accountable milestones for what <i>has</i> to be achieved within certain time increments between 2020 and 2035. If these milestones are not achieved, then there needs to be some accountability by the county and a course correction made in a timely manner <i>before</i> the next milestones are to be met.</li> </ul>	

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				<p><b>Specific Comments on the Policy Points:</b></p> <p><b>1. Manage Growth to Preserve Rural Character</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>“ . . . by limiting supply of developable land to an amount adequate for future needs”</u>: 1) We need to consider an island-wide target for percentage of non-developable vs developable land to be maintained as such in perpetuity. 2) We need to be prescriptive about a more stringent due process for preventing or controlling changes in land use designations (e.g. Hokua Place). 3) We need to put statutes of limitations on land development permits if not exercised within a given time frame (10 years?). 4) We need to have the ability to change the terms and conditions of a land development permit if not exercised within a lesser time frame (such as 5 years) based on extenuating circumstances (i.e., unanticipated rate of coastal erosion).</li> <li>▪ <u>“ . . . ensuring new development occurs inside growth boundaries and is compact and walkable”</u>: 1) Need to be more descriptive and set targets for high density development areas (e.g., to include mixed uses, easy access to public transportation, incorporating green areas, incorporating common use areas, etc.). 2) This is a good place to start to make a nexus</li> </ul>	

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				<p>between high density areas that also include: housing for working families (policy #2), healthy and complete neighborhoods (policy #4), reduce the cost of living (policy #6), etc., etc. 3) If you agree with this, do we need to set targets (% of new developments) for how many of these “high density models” should be part of our future planning.</p> <p><b>2. Providing Housing for Working Families</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ see comments above</li> <li>▪ <u>“ . . . eliminating onerous regulatory barriers”</u>: This is a slippery slope and if regulatory standards are set for the protection of civil society, then they should apply to all development projects regardless of what kind of housing. “Eliminating regulatory barriers” means cutting corners, and/or making exceptions. This is not acceptable. If there is a problem with the “regulatory barriers”, then fix that, don’t make exceptions to the rules.</li> <li>▪ <u>“ . . . forming active public-private partnerships”</u>: The best way to do this is through high density, multiple-use development which will more attractive to investors - so it might be good to be more explicit about the “how”.</li> </ul> <p><b>3. Recognize the Identity of Kauai’s Individual Towns and Districts</b></p>	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ no comments</li> </ul> <p><b>4. Recognize the Identity of Kauai’s Individual Towns and Districts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>“safe roads”</u>: Needs a definition and examples such as – “maintained for safe and comfortable transit for motorized vehicles, as well as ample space for alternative forms of transportation such as bicycles to co-exist with vehicles on the road bed, and safe walking corridors for pedestrians”.</li> <li>▪ <u>“functional parks”</u>: 1) Also needs a definition. 2) We should set targets for “urban green space” as a driver for converting derelict or underutilized space into parks; for identifying appropriate locations for new parks as “rest areas”; and, encouraging the county to invest in parks by purchasing undeveloped areas (e.g., the space next to the 2 new hotels going up next the Marriott Courtyard is a prefect example of what should have been set aside as a park).</li> <li>▪ <u>“ . . . access to jobs, commerce, transit and public services”</u>: Again, this eludes to the need for high density, multiple-use housing development areas – so why not set targets in order to be explicit about this need (see policy #2 comments).</li> </ul> <p><b>5. Make Strategic Infrastructure Investments</b></p>	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="835 240 1486 695">▪ The way the sub-text is written only speaks to future growth and does not address current deficits in meeting our basic infrastructure needs. As such, we should be addressing current needs <i>before</i> we start addressing future development needs (with the intent of considering both present and future needs for the purpose of creating some efficiencies). And, at the same time, it should be explicitly stated that no new development can take place (or new permits issued) until we first meet our current infrastructure needs.</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="787 743 1150 776"><b>6. Reduce the Cost of Living</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="835 784 1497 1390">▪ <u>“ Reduce the cost of housing and transportation . . .”</u>: huh? This whole policy piece makes no sense to me and seems a bit misguided. Take a look around, are folks willing to give up SUVs and pick-up trucks to ride the bus and by doing so reduce the cost of transportation to their pocket and consequently reduce the cost of living? No. I think this policy would serve the people of Kauai better by identifying the need to “diversify income generation opportunities”. That would make a more significant contribution to improving families’ standards of living and ability to afford living on Kauai. I don’t know about national statistics (for either neighbor islands or mainland), but don’t think</li> </ul>	

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				<p>50% of income going to housing and transportation seems all that unusual – and I am sure it must be higher on Oahu and/or the west coast. (Note: also see comments for policy #14)</p> <p><b>7. Build A Balanced Transportation System</b></p> <p><b>8. Address Wailua-Kapa‘a Traffic</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ These 2 should be combined and eliminate the heading for #8. Maybe no one has been paying attention, but over the last bunch of years while we have been complaining about Kapaa, equally frustrating congestion is occurring in every direction from Lihue. There needs to be an island-wide transportation plan.</li> <li>▪ Although this does mention “multi-modal transportation options”, bottom line is we have to either create incentives or disincentives for people to stop the dependency on their cars. You can keep adding lanes and by-passes ad nauseum, however, in time there will be more cars filling those new spaces and we will be back where we started. Time for specific controls on this one.</li> </ul> <p><b>9. Protect Kauai Scenic Beauty</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Let’s set some specific targets for percentage of open space vs developed space.</li> <li>▪ In regards to “views between towns”, this will require specific standards about visual</li> </ul>	

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				<p>distractions such billboards – so let’s be explicit about what we mean.</p> <p><b>10. Uphold Kauai as a Unique Visitor Destination</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This fails to identify the need to preserve the very thing that brings visitors to Kauai – the natural environment. This should include specific language about managing both visitor and resident impacts on the natural resources of Kauai and how were going to do that – perhaps establishing both regulatory and voluntary guidelines on best management practices. This should apply to tourism providers and hotels as well in terms of managing impacts. We loose our natural environment and we loose our largest employer. We also loose our quality of life.</li> </ul> <p><b>11. Help Business Thrive</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This might be better stated as “Help (Small Scale) Local Businesses Thrive”.</li> <li>▪ I would be careful about compromises made by “streamlined approval processes”. This seems a little contradictory and maybe the “approval process” needs to be examined before making exceptions to it.</li> </ul> <p><b>12. Help Agricultural Lands Be Productive</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This policy looks good, however, also needs to point to the need to keep a percentage of our</li> </ul>	

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				<p>land zoned as truly agricultural to ensure there is ample land and enough affordable ag land to make farming profitable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Aloha+ Challenge has specific target for sustainable food supply that should be adopted (20-30% grown and consumed locally).</li> </ul> <p><b>13. Protect Our Watersheds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ We have a state sanctioned ahupua‘a management framework, and a traditional knowledge base for how to manage watersheds. There needs to be a strong reference to this as a foundational piece for how we protect our watersheds.</li> <li>▪ The Aloha+ Challenge has a target for watershed protection should be adopted.</li> </ul> <p><b>14. Complete Kauai’s Shift to Clean Energy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This looks good, but might also suggest how this could be linked to income (job) diversification through the development of a green workforce.</li> <li>▪ The 80% by 2050 should at least match or exceed the target established by the Aloha+ Challenge (70% by 2030).</li> </ul> <p><b>15. Prepare for Climate Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This whole description sounds so reactive rather than proactive. Why don’t we talk</li> </ul>	

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				<p>about: 1) building more resilient communities, 2) building disaster preparedness plans, 3) mitigating the impacts we are already seeing from climate change, 4) incorporating basic climate change precautionary principles into our development plans and permit requirements, infrastructure planning, sustainable food plan, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Basically, this should be a cross cutting component of most all the other 19 policies.</li> </ul> <p><b>16. Respect Native Hawaiian Rights and Wahi Pana</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This is missing a critical piece about making use of traditional Hawaiian knowledge and practices as the underpinning and guidance for decision making about all future policy directions, management and human interactions with both the land and sea. We should make use of the models that have been formally (codified) by the state such as the ahupua‘a model, konahiki model (e.g., Haena community based fisheries rules), as well as the less formal models based on traditional knowledge.</li> </ul> <p><b>17. Protect Access to Kaua'i's Treasured Places</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In agreement with this but also think it is important to mention responsible use of these places – meaning engagement with the land and sea that takes into consideration the need</li> </ul>	

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				<p>to leave it a better place than it is now for future generations. (I really think that access should be stated as a “privilege” rather than a “right” but this can get sticky).</p> <p><b>18. Nurture Our Keiki</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ This will require more than “valuing youth”. We, as a whole Kauai community, have a responsibility to guide, nurture, mentor and direct the next generation to a future where they first of all have choices, and secondly are guided towards making wise and informed choices about their own future. This piece is huge and cannot be underestimated in importance. It also depends on us making sound decisions right now, starting with this DGP.</li> </ul> <p><b>19. Honor Our Kupuna</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ In agreement but also think we need to make a statement about valuing the Kupuna knowledge, their connection with the past, and their role as stewards of the traditional Hawaiian culture. We need to keep these qualities of the Kupuna alive and honor it by incorporating it into all the place-based decisions we make about Kauai.</li> <li>▪ Need to make a statement about the value of intergenerational sharing of knowledge and</li> </ul>	

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				<p>guidance between the Kupuna and Keiki (connect this policy piece to policy #18).</p> <p><b>20. Communicate with Aloha</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ I would add to this that we need to live our lives with Aloha – walk the talk and be living examples to others and let our actions reflect the same Aloha that we expect from the guiding principles of this plan – the responsibility belongs to everyone.</li> </ul>	