



DIAMOND HEAD/KAPAHULU/ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 5

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**RESOLUTION OF THE DIAMOND HEAD / KAPAHULU / ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD EXPRESSING SERIOUS CONCERNS FOR AND OPPOSITION TO THE CURRENT KAKA'AKO DEVELOPMENT PROJECT PROPOSAL**

WHEREAS, the public has recently expressed concern for the current development project proposal in Kaka'ako, as well as concern for the lack of communication and public feedback opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the current infrastructure capacity and consumption for sewer, water supply, and wastewater in the Kaka'ako area and for other Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) buildings is unknown; and

WHEREAS, the affordability of these proposed units is in question; and

WHEREAS, there is not enough information available regarding environmental concerns such as possible damage to underground caves, water channels, alluvial channels, and KARST in the Kaka'ako area, as well as the proximity to ocean levels and building construction "hitting water;" and

WHEREAS, the public has expressed concern that there are three (3) structures that have been approved by the HCDA for building up to 700 feet, which is far beyond the 400-foot limit, and the building of so many buildings, especially buildings so tall, does not adequately take into account necessary view corridors and planes; and

WHEREAS, the streets in the area are narrow, and projects in the area will exacerbate the traffic and street problems currently present; and

WHEREAS, it has not been communicated to the public the details of where children in the area will go to school if the buildings are filled to the capacities currently estimated; and

WHEREAS, there is not a Cultural Specialist on the Board, and as such, there is no one to make sure that there are not ancient burials on the site; and

WHEREAS, for the amount of people estimated to be residing in the area, per national standard, there should be two (2) to two and a half (2 ½) acres of recreational open space per 1000 capita, which is not currently met; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean Safety center that was part of the community-based Kaka'ako Makai Master Plan, is now being replaced, and Ocean Safety and ocean access is in question; and

WHEREAS, there needs to be more transparency of funding of the Kaka'ako area, including these project proposals, past projects, and future projects, as well as determining who is responsible for paying for improvements to the infrastructure;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Diamond Head / Kapahulu / St. Louis Heights Neighborhood Board states its serious concerns for and opposition to the current Kaka'ako development project proposal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board inform with copies of this resolution the HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (HCDA) of its objection to HCDA's plans to authorize construction of more than thirty (30) buildings in Honolulu's Kaka'ako area without first conducting studies for infrastructure on key areas, including the aforementioned issues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board inform with copies of this resolution the CITY ADMINISTRATION (the City) of its objection to the City, including but not limited to the Departments of Environmental Services, Design and Construction, Facilities Management, and Transportation Services, providing HCDA any approvals for projects requesting City permits without the City first providing their assessment and recommendation on the adequacy of Kaka'ako's infrastructure, specifically studies on the aforementioned key issues.

