

JANUARY 30, 2006

TO: HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
FR: G. ALLAN SAMUELSON
RE: RESOLUTION 06-015 -- WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE HEARING ON
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2006

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Dear Council Members,

As a resident of Kahalu'u Valley, I strongly urge the City Council to designate a Public Hearing in respect to the proposed project, "The Woods at Ahuimanu."

This Hearing would relate to the developer's application for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification, a certification that the developer has not yet acquired.

I am making a plea for the Public Hearing because:

1. The developer (Mr Aiello, a partner) claimed that "The Woods at Ahuimanu" project had **all** the necessary permits when he outlined the project at the Neighborhood Board No. 29 meeting on October 12, 2005. We subsequently found that Mr Aiello did **not** have all the permits at that time. Thus, Mr Aiello's statement was untrue. Accordingly, concerned citizens in the area would like to express their views publicly with regard to the impacts to Water Quality that the proposed project might cause.
2. The project, as planned, has potentially serious impacts on Water Quality. Mr Aiello's plan calls for 40+ homes on roughly a 15 acre segment of a larger property. This comes to about 3 home sites/acre. (This is three times the density of adjacent housing on Ahuimanu Road.) As planned, each home would have its own sewerage system with leach field crammed into the 15 acres. Has sewerage runoffs during extremely heavy rains been addressed? Paved roadways in the project may also have adverse effects during heavy rainstorms. The part of Ahuimanu Road bordering the project had pavement torn off for about a 1/4-mile stretch **twice** in the last 30 years – have such extreme water runoff problems been adequately addressed? This, insofar as the design of roadway orientation, gutters, drains, culverts and bridge? These issues need discussion in a Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,



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