

MINUTES

of the

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON

NOVEMBER 10, 2016

THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII, CONVENED A PUBLIC HEARING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2016 AT 1:01 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, KALANA O MAUI BUILDING, WAILUKU, HAWAII, WITH CHAIR MICHAEL B. WHITE PRESIDING, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING TESTIMONY ON A PROPOSED RESOLUTION ENTITLED:

"AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO REQUEST THE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII TO DESIGNATE THE ISLAND OF MOLOKAI AS AN ENTERPRISE ZONE FOR TWENTY YEARS DUE TO EXPIRATION OF THE PRIOR ENTERPRISE ZONE DESIGNATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.80.030, MAUI COUNTY CODE"

CHAIR WHITE: This public hearing of the County Council of Maui will please come to order.

Mr. Clerk, please call the roll.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS GLADYS C. BAISA, ROBERT CARROLL, S. STACY CRIVELLO, MICHAEL P. VICTORINO, VICE-CHAIR DONALD S. GUZMAN, AND CHAIR MICHAEL B. WHITE.

EXCUSED: COUNCILMEMBERS ELEANORA COCHRAN, DONALD G. COUCH JR., AND G. RIKI HOKAMA.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Mr. Chair, we have six Members present and three Members excused. A quorum is present to conduct the business of the Council.

CHAIR WHITE: Thank you very much, Mr. Clerk. Please proceed.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Mr. Chair, proceeding with the presentation of testimony. We have established limited interactive communication that enables individuals from Hana, Lanai, and Molokai to provide testimony from our District Offices. Individuals who wish to offer testimony should now sign up with District Office staff.

Pursuant to the Rules of the Council, each testifier may be allowed to testify for up to three minutes. When testifying, please state your name and the name of any organization you represent.

The first person in the chamber to provide testimony is Rosemary Robbins.

CHAIR WHITE: While Ms. Robbins is making her way down here, Members, the purpose of the public hearing is it's required by the Maui County Code that prior to consideration of the adoption of the measure that we're looking at next Friday, it's required that we hold a public hearing so that we can hear from everybody that may be concerned about this issue.

So with that, Ms. Robbins, please proceed.

TESTIMONY

MS. ROSEMARY ROBBINS:

Good afternoon, everybody. Rosemary Robbins, concerned citizen. Wow, it's been a couple of years since I've been over to Molokai. I have fond memories only of my visits over there over the years. So when I took a look at this notice of the public hearing, I was pleased to be able to get down. I would like to congratulate them on the fact that each of the Council District Offices has been involved and invited to this today; that's the good news. I was a little leery when I read in here that if the connection between here and Molokai were to be snagged today, that the meeting would go on. And my question then is, do they have a firm "Plan B", like a telephone and a microphone to be able to take a "Plan B" and make sure that we don't leave them out since this is about their island? I know with other grant things I've done, we do have that, so the technology is available.

When I read the resolution, thanks to the seventh floor, I did get a hold of that. It says that this is a renewal of a circumstance that was established 21 years ago, and that will be reestablished for another 21 years. So that's 42 years involved in this. And, and it's due to be redone on New Year's Eve, seven weeks from today. So, there is a time pressure deal on that.

I wasn't too sure, I was very non-sure of what this resolution was about in terms of having a specific zone for a whole island. So it would be very helpful for other people and me to be able to understand what that means to have a whole island as a zone involved in this situation of having people be able to have special opportunities depending on if that's the way they see it. So, we really need to hear from them. And hopefully this is all going to go smoothly, and we will indeed have everybody just holding everybody's back, and a good handshake along with that it will work. So thank you.

CHAIR WHITE: Thank you very much, Ms. Robbins.

Mr. Clerk.

COUNTY CLERK: Mr. Chair, there are no other individuals in the District Offices nor the chamber who wish to offer testimony.

CHAIR WHITE: All right.

Mr. Clerk, have we received any written testimony?

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Mr. Chair, we have not received written testimony.

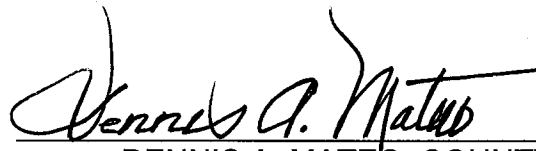
CHAIR WHITE: Thank you very much. And my understanding is we have no one in the District Offices needing to testify? With that, Members, without objection, we will close public testimony.

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR WHITE: And, we'll bring this public hearing to a close. We are adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

The public hearing of *NOVEMBER 10, 2016*, was adjourned by the Chair at 1:06 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dennis A. Mateo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

DENNIS A. MATEO, COUNTY CLERK
COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII