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ATTENDANCE

MOLOKAI GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING: John F. Summers

Kathleen Aoki

Erin Wade

Stanley Solomilo

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL: Michael Hopper

GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Daniel Bennett, Chair
Mahealani Davis, Vice-Chair
Jimmy Duvauchelle
Ed Medeiros
DeGray Vanderbilt
Barbara Jean Haliniak
Alton Arakaki

Excused: Zhan Dudoit

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5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Good afternoon. It appears we
6 have a quorum, so we're going to begin. I'd like to welcome
7 everybody to the GPAC meeting. I'm sorry I missed you last
8 time. So I'd like to call the meeting to order. Are there
9 any announcements before we begin? Mr. Vanderbilt.

10 MR. VANDERBILT: Would it be possible if the
11 committee would consider moving item K up after item H?
12 Those are two important resolutions.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I have no objections. I don't
14 know if anybody else does. John, does that skew things up
15 at all, is that okay? You actually jumped into item C on
16 the agenda. That wasn't an announcement, DeGray. Watch it.

17 MR. VANDERBILT: That's why I shouldn't be
18 considered as chair.

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: That's fine with me. So we
20 want to move item K up following H. So according to John,
21 item I is not going to be dealt with, we dealt with that in
22 the last meeting. We had a review of the 2030 Countywide
23 Policy Plan, a Power Point presentation of the workshop, so
24 that item is pretty much off the agenda. So let's make item
25 K item I instead. How is that, is that acceptable? Any

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1 discussion or objections? Any other comments on the agenda
2 for this evening, suggestions?

3 Okay, we will move on to item D, the status of the
4 Moloka'i GPAC rules of practice and procedure. John, do you
5 have something on the status?

6 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Regarding the
7 rules of practice and procedure, the membership has copies
8 of the rules. These did go to the clerk's office following
9 our public hearing, and they are now in effect. So we have
10 operating rules that we can run our meetings by. Thank you
11 very much.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So the rules of practice and
13 procedure have been adopted, you said?

14 MR. SUMMERS: They're in effect.

15 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So we are operating on Robert's
16 Rules of Order, which I know little about, but we will
17 muddle through somehow, I think. The next item is
18 transmittal of the Planning Director's proposed Countywide
19 Policy Plan to the Moloka'i GPAC. We got copies last time
20 at the last meeting.

21 MR. SUMMERS: That's correct, Mr. Chair.

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: And they were also mailed out?

23 MR. SUMMERS: That's correct. We did distribute
24 copies at our last meeting of the Countywide Policy
25 document, and we submitted a transmittal letter dated

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1 January 22nd which sets out the beginning review dates and
2 the complete review meeting dates or meeting. So we're good
3 to go, we're ready to roll in our review of this Countywide
4 Policy Plan document.

5 We do have a matrix for the members. You will see
6 the 11-by-17 matrix. We have the document laid out there
7 which we'll use to assist us in our workshops.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So my understanding is that
9 along with the matrix is the goals and objective policies?

10 MR. SUMMERS: That's correct.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Which correspond to the matrix
12 items.

13 MR. SUMMERS: That's correct. We did do back and
14 look at the sentence structure to try to make some of the
15 policies more concise, and that's what you have got in this
16 matrix here with that new section four. The primary purpose
17 was to shorten some of the language in the goals and the
18 policies, and to make sure that they were as understandable
19 as possible, so that we can focus on debating policy rather
20 than trying to reword sentences. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

21 MR. ARAKAKI: So, John, I received the Countywide
22 Policy and the February 2007 is the latest, and it says
23 "draft" on it. It shouldn't be draft, should it.

24 MR. SUMMERS: It is a draft document. It's the
25 department's draft which will be revised as we work through

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1 the process. So it is a draft, right, but the piece that we
2 will be focusing on tonight is this 11-by-17 matrix with
3 section four.

4 MR. ARAKAKI: All right.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Now, are there any other
6 questions on the Countywide Policy Plan that is before you?
7 Mr. Vanderbilt.

8 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So
9 tonight, John, we are reviewing those four items, which were
10 the housing, natural environment, social services, and good
11 governance. At some point what about the title page of that
12 section four, goals, objectives and policies, those
13 statements in there, will that be at another meeting?

14 MR. SUMMERS: Sure, we can absolutely do that.
15 And if you have any comments I don't think there's anything
16 precluding us from looking at that this evening. But if we
17 can focus on these four areas, these are the four areas
18 we're working on with the other GPAC's.

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments or
20 suggestions on item G? Or item E, excuse me. We are going
21 to move on then to public testimony. If anybody would like
22 to give public testimony at this time, please step up and do
23 so. Please state your name and speak into the microphone.
24 Is there any public testimony for this evening? If not, we
25 will move on to the next item, which is the election of the

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1 Moloka'i General Plan Advisory Committee chairperson and
2 vice-chairman. I have chaired pro tem for the last two
3 meetings, and Mahealani Davis has been the vice-chair, and
4 she's done a heck of a job, to quote our president.

5 MR. TEVES: Are nominations open?

6 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: It would seem so.

7 MR. TEVES: I'd like to nominate Dan Bennett for
8 chair. I'd like to nominate Dan Bennett as chair, as the
9 voice of our Moloka'i High School basketball team. I think
10 you're doing a really good job. Thank you.

11 MR. KIMBALL: Second to that.

12 MS. DAVIS: I second that.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Are there any other nominations
14 for the chair?

15 MR. KIMBALL: Mr. Chair, I move that we close the
16 nominations.

17 MR. TEVES: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there any discussion on the
19 motion?

20 MR. ARAKAKI: Call for the question.

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So we're going to vote on
22 whether you are going to elect me as chair. But before you
23 do, I just want you to know that I come with certain
24 attitudes and biases. So my feeling is that, first of all,
25 being a mathematics teacher I'm a very linear thinker, and I

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1 like to go from point A to point B as swiftly as possible.

2 So forgive me, if you digress too much I might tell you to

3 stop it. I don't think I have ever met a meeting I really

4 liked, so I want to get through them as shortly as possible.

5 MR. ARAKAKI: At least I know you have a very

6 small standard of deviation, so I think we will be okay.

7 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you. The other thing I

8 wanted to say is my important concerns are, first of all,

9 education, secondly the environment, and third probably our

10 homesteaders and their concerns. That's just where I'm

11 coming from. And if you are happy with that, then I will

12 accept this nomination.

13 MR. ARAKAKI: The question has been called.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there a vote? All in favor?

15 (A chorus of ayes).

16 Opposed? Do I have to vote?

17 (None).

18 So I guess I'm elected. Nominations are now open

19 for Vice-Chair.

20 MR. TEVES: I'd like to nominate Mahealani Davis.

21 Mr. Chair, do I have the floor?

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: You do, Mr. Teves, please speak

23 up.

24 MR. TEVES: Sorry, I've got to get used to this,

25 instead of cutting in. It's part of our nature sometimes to

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1 get our word across. I'd like to nominate Mahealani Davis,
2 since she's done a great job up to now.

3 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Jimmy Duvauchelle. I'd like to
4 second the motion.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So it's been moved and seconded
6 that Mahealani Davis be Vice-Chair. Any discussion? Any
7 other nominations for Vice-Chair?

8 MR. KIMBALL: Move that we close the nominations,
9 Mr. Chair.

10 MR. ARAKAKI: I second the motion.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there a call for the
12 question then?

13 MR. ARAKAKI: Call for the question.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: All those in favor of electing
15 Mahealani Davis Vice-Chair of the GPAC, please indicate by
16 raising your hand.

17 (A show of hands)

18 MR. KIMBALL: Do I hear a train coming?

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: It's a very slow train. So we
20 now have a Chair and Vice-Chair. Did you want to say
21 anything?

22 MS. DAVIS: Not right now.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: She declines. So that being
24 done, you have now elected the leaders to your ship of
25 fools, so good luck.

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1 The next item, the approval of the meeting minutes
2 from December 5th. I believe we received copies of those in
3 the mail, is that correct?

4 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. That's
5 correct. We do have extra copies if anyone needs them.

6 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: What is the procedure for
7 approving the minutes, do we just ask for any corrections or
8 amendments to the minutes? As you can see, I am not a very
9 good paper shuffler.

10 MR. HOPPER: You can do it by motion.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Do we have a motion to accept
12 the minutes from the December 5th meeting?

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Move we accept the minutes of the
14 December 5th, 2007 meeting.

15 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there a second?

16 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Mr. Chairman I would like to
17 second that motion. Jimmy Duvauchelle. I would like to
18 second that motion.

19 MR. SUMMERS: If I may, Mr. Chair, these are
20 December 5, 2006 minutes.

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you.

22 MR. TEVES: Point of clarification.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: December 6, 2006. Mr. Teves.

24 MR. TEVES: Can somebody who wasn't at the meeting
25 approve the minutes?

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: What does the Corporation
2 Counsel have to say?

3 MR. HOPPER: I've actually never dealt with that
4 question before. I don't see a problem with that, honestly,
5 just to have a vote to approve the minutes.

6 MR. TEVES: Just a point of clarification. Second
7 the motion.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So it's been moved and seconded
9 that we accept the minutes as written and submitted. Does
10 anybody else have further discussion on the minutes? Would
11 someone like to call for the question and we can vote on it?
12 Mr. Teves.

13 MR. TEVES: I call for the question, Mr. Chairman.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So we'd like to have a vote on
15 the minutes, accepting the minutes from the December 6th --
16 December 5th, 2006 meeting. I'm old and I can't see
17 anymore. So please raise your hand and vote yes or no on
18 accepting these minutes.

19 (A show of hands).

20 It appears unanimous, so the minutes have been
21 accepted. Mr. Vanderbilt.

22 MR. VANDERBILT: Mr. Chair, regarding the minutes,
23 I was wondering if we could at least get an explanation of
24 what may have happened to the minutes of our earlier
25 meetings, because we haven't accepted those.

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1 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Our
2 commission support clerk, Joy, is in Japan, and I can ask
3 her that question and report back to you at the next
4 meeting.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Please follow up for us, will
6 you, John? Okay, any other questions about the minutes, the
7 past minutes?

8 The next item on the agenda then is item I, which
9 is now the Moloka'i GPAC review and recommendations on
10 proposed resolutions related to the update of the Moloka'i
11 Community Plan, and the appointment of members to the
12 Moloka'i Community Plan Advisory Committee. So can we get
13 an update on the recommendations and proposed resolutions?

14 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The
15 members should have a couple of resolutions that we've
16 discussed at previous meetings, the first of which is a
17 one-page resolution entitled Order of First Two Community
18 Plans for 2030 General Plan Update. And the second
19 resolution is a two-page resolution entitled Making
20 Appointments to the Moloka'i Community Plan Advisory
21 Committee.

22 We were able to discuss this with the Lana'i GPAC,
23 and they supported moving these two resolutions forward to
24 the County Council for consideration. If there are no
25 objections, we would like to do the same with the Moloka'i

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1 resolutions. I do have some proposed language, however, on
2 the first resolution. Look at the one-page resolution and
3 go down to the third paragraph, which I'll read as follows:
4 "And whereas, Lana'i and Moloka'i will be developing
5 community plans in lieu of island plans." If we could
6 replace the "in lieu of" with "which serve as," I think
7 that's clearer. So if there are no objections, I would like
8 to replace "in lieu of" with "which serve as."

9 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Are there any objections to the
10 change in the language in the resolution? If not, then I
11 guess it's okay. Do we need a motion to accept this?

12 MR. SUMMERS: That would be helpful.

13 MR. ARAKAKI: Mr. Chair, I move that we accept
14 the resolution order of the first two community plans for
15 the 2030 general plan update.

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: As amended.

17 MR. ARAKAKI: As amended.

18 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there a second?

19 MS. DAVIS: Second that motion.

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any further discussion on this
21 change in language? If not, would someone call for the
22 question so we can vote?

23 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Can I ask where is that? I
24 can't find it. Help me out with that, please.

25 Okay, thank you, Mr. Chairman.

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So any other information needed
2 or corrections on this motion before us? Would someone like
3 to call for the question so we can vote? Mr. Teves.

4 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I call for the question.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: The question has been called.

6 All those in favor of the motion, please raise your hands.

7 (A show of hands).

8 Those opposed?

9 (None).

10 Once again, it's unanimous, the motion is passed.

11 Concerning the other resolution, John, is there

12 any other change, are there any other changes in the

13 language that we should be aware of?

14 MR. SUMMERS: No, Mr. Chairman, the resolution

15 would remain as it is currently constructed.

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Could I ask you what the

17 timeline is that the County Council needs to approve these

18 resolutions, is there some kind of a timeline?

19 MR. SUMMERS: We would like to move it forward as

20 soon as possible before the Council gets wrapped up in the

21 budget process, although the timeline is pretty constrained.

22 So my best guess is that they will take it up and approve it

23 after budget, but we are going to move forward with

24 contracting as it is. Resolutions don't require two

25 readings by the Council, so we may have an opportunity to

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1 have it approved before budget. That would be the goal. In
2 the event that we don't make that goal, we will still move
3 forward with our contract.

4 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Could you be a little more
5 specific in terms of when that's going to occur? I mean you
6 said before they get into the budget. Are we talking a
7 year, six months?

8 MR. SUMMERS: Typically the Council will begin
9 their work on the budget in the middle of March. So with
10 the approval of Moloka'i and Lana'i GPAC's, we can forward
11 this to the Planning Committee for consideration.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you. Mr. Vanderbilt?

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chair. So how
14 long will it take you? You have got this ready to go. Can
15 you get it to the Council committee next week? And if not,
16 what's the holdup?

17 MR. SUMMERS: Well, it would need to go through
18 the Corporation Counsel's office for review as to form and
19 legality prior to Council approval.

20 MR. VANDERBILT: Has this draft been looked at by
21 Corp Counsel before you put it together?

22 MR. SUMMERS: We haven't had a formal approval by
23 Brian Moto.

24 MR. VANDERBILT: Maybe Mr. Hopper can help us out.
25 How long will something like this take, can it get

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1 expedited? Because this is pretty important.

2 MR. HOPPER: Well, when it comes to our office
3 with a request for service I would review it, and then I
4 believe it would come to me and then I mean I've already
5 seen it so I would get that approved relatively quickly.
6 And I can't speak to how long it would take the Corporation
7 Counsel Brian Moto to approve it, but I will certainly bring
8 that to his attention, that this is a high priority item.

9 MR. VANDERBILT: Then when it goes to the Council
10 committee they can have just one meeting if they want,
11 right? What's the minimum they can have?

12 MR. HOPPER: I think they have to have one reading
13 of it.

14 MR. VANDERBILT: At the committee level?

15 MR. HOPPER: They would refer it to the committee
16 and the committee would make its recommendations on the
17 resolutions, and then full Council would have to adopt the
18 resolution and could do that on the first reading, I
19 believe.

20 MR. VANDERBILT: So it goes to the Council for one
21 meeting, and then it goes to the Planning Committee, and
22 then it comes back to the Council for approval. So you are
23 going to have a minimum of three meetings, right?

24 MR. HOPPER: That's the quickest I believe it
25 could be done.

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1 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you for the
3 clarification, Mr. Vanderbilt. That makes it a lot clearer
4 to me in terms of what the process is.

5 MR. VANDERBILT: And, Mr. Chair, as a reward for
6 that explanation, I need to explain these glasses. Glenn
7 has already said that I look very pretty in them, but I lost
8 my reading glasses so I had to borrow my girlfriend's. So
9 please forgive me.

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Well, let's hope you see things
11 a little rosier than you normally do. (Laughter) I know she
12 has a much more optimistic outlook on things than you do.

13 MR. ARAKAKI: Did we make a motion to approve
14 this resolution?

15 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: We had a motion and a second.
16 I believe we were waiting for a call for the question.

17 MR. ARAKAKI: We voted for the first one?

18 MR. KIMBALL: You mean the motion?

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: We voted on the first
20 resolution. I asked about the second resolution and we got
21 involved in time lines and stuff.

22 MR. ARAKAKI: It was just for the first
23 resolution. I'd like to move that we accept the second
24 resolution.

25 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: That's our second. Mr. Teves?

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1 MR. TEVES: Second.

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: It's been moved and seconded
3 that we accept the second resolution as written. Is there
4 any other discussion?

5 MR. MEDEIROS: Assuming there's no changing.

6 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thanks, Mr. Medeiros. Mr.
7 Vanderbilt.

8 MR. VANDERBILT: When you list the names of
9 everybody could you just put it alphabetically?

10 MR. SUMMERS: Sure.

11 MR. VANDERBILT: That's usually what happens.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I hope we don't have to vote on
13 that change.

14 MR. HOPPER: It actually is a change to the
15 wording of the resolution.

16 MR. VANDERBILT: Then forget it.

17 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: We are going to leave it as is.
18 Is there a call for the question?

19 MR. TEVES: I called for the question.

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: We're up for a vote then. All
21 those in favor of accepting the second resolution as
22 written, please raise your hand.

23 (A show of hands).

24 Being unanimous, the resolution is accepted by the
25 Moloka'i GPAC.

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1 The next item on the agenda, we're going to go to
2 item J, a workshop on housing, natural environment, social
3 services and good governance. The Planning Department staff
4 is going to assist us in this, and we are going to review
5 and provide recommendations. Housing, natural environment,
6 social services and good governance. Mr. Summers has
7 indicated to me that he would be happy if we did three of
8 these four tonight.

9 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I am going to
10 pass the baton, if you will, over to Erin Wade, who is going
11 to give you a little bit of an overview of some of the
12 handouts that we have and how the matrix can be used to help
13 facilitate this discussion. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

14 MS. WADE: Thank you. Basically we're going to be
15 going over the tools for this exercise, what was handed out
16 and on the table when you arrived. The amended section four
17 you have. But primarily what we will be using is this
18 little slip of orange paper, the green sheet, and the
19 matrix.

20 First, what I'd like to talk about though is the
21 plain white 8 and-a-half-by-11 sheet that says Reviewing
22 Round One Priorities. The meeting that you missed or that
23 we weren't able to come over because of the wind, what we
24 had done for Maui and Lana'i was allow them to brainstorm
25 any issues that they felt were high priorities, that they

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1 absolutely wanted to see incorporated into the general plan
2 process. We didn't determine whether it should be at the
3 Countywide Policy Plan level or what planning level, we just
4 wanted to get those issues out on the table.

5 This compilation is basically what they came up
6 with. We didn't ask them to organize their thoughts, this
7 is just the result. But we can do this as a brainstorming,
8 if you would like to, before we get into the policy review.
9 I think you will find as we do begin reviewing, all the
10 stuff does start to come out anyway. But if you don't feel
11 that your thoughts or that your issues have been represented
12 well by the policies, we can do the brainstorming in
13 addition to the review of the existing plan.

14 So I guess I'm asking would you like to do a
15 brainstorming or would you like to just get right to work
16 and begin reviewing the plan document?

17 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Does the committee have any
18 thoughts on this? Mr. Vanderbilt.

19 MR. VANDERBILT: Yes, Mr. Chairman. One thing
20 that struck me in reading the plan was that this is supposed
21 to be a general policy plan, and you have 25 members on
22 Maui, 13 on Lana'i, 13 on Moloka'i and we've all got to
23 agree on something. And it just seems like there's too much
24 detail already in the various objectives and policies. So
25 just from a personal standpoint, I'd like to go ahead and

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1 review the documents. It will stimulate, as Erin said, some
2 other questions probably, and look at that with an eye of
3 knowing that 51 people have to sort of agree to this. So we
4 will try to get it down into a policy document that works
5 for all of Maui County, rather than getting into so much
6 detail that can be covered in the island plan or in
7 subsequent community plans. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments? I'm not
9 sure if I understood what you meant. I understand the
10 general thought is that these items are possibly too
11 specific.

12 MR. VANDERBILT: Well, Mr. Chair, I went through
13 and read some things, and when I was reading through I
14 noticed some things that I thought that are in there should
15 be left out, some things should be repeated. So I think
16 rather than going through an exercise of just throwing it
17 out and then going back to that, that if we go through the
18 document each of us will be focused on that particular item,
19 and each of us might say, well, I think this is good in
20 there, that's not good in there, and we will accomplish
21 this.

22 CHAIRMAN CANNON: Are you talking about the
23 Countywide Police Plan?

24 MR. VANDERBILT: I'm talking about if we start
25 reviewing this matrix, which is the four items, that it will

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1 automatically I think most of us will feel that something
2 should be in there, shouldn't be, should be changed or
3 something, and we will accomplish the same thing as just
4 having a free-for-all.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: This is a statement to just
6 have at it, in other words, is that correct?

7 MR. VANDERBILT: No. I think what Erin was saying
8 was that in Maui they just opened the thing and everybody
9 just talked about any policy statement they wanted to have
10 in or out. And I'm saying a lot of those things that we're
11 thinking about will be covered as we go through each of
12 these, so why don't we just start going through each of
13 these. That's where I was coming from.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I think I understand.

15 MR. VANDERBILT: It's the glasses.

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So the procedure then is to
17 read each item, ask these four questions, or are you going
18 to do this?

19 MS. WADE: I'm going to facilitate, so I will
20 assist you in going through them. What we are going to be
21 looking for are essentially your comments related to these
22 four questions on your little orange sheet. So what I'd
23 like you to ask yourself about each of the statements is,
24 "Is this statement warranted?" "Has anything been left out
25 that should be added?" And third is the opposite, "Is there

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1 anything in it that's unnecessary and should be deleted?"
2 And four, "Should the statement be broadened or narrowed in
3 scope?" To make it appropriate for this level of the plan.

4 And essentially just a quick refresher, which is a
5 lot, the cover page, what DeGray was talking about before,
6 this is just a reminder of when you structure goals
7 objectives and policies, essentially they need to meet these
8 criteria. A goal should define a desired end, be stated in
9 positive terms, be bold but realistic.

10 I just want to throw in my comment on that.
11 There's a lot of plans that get left on shelves because
12 they're not bold enough. They just are jargon, and no one
13 cares. So one of the things that we want to make sure that
14 we do at every level of the planning process, but even at
15 this level, even though it's a really broad Countywide Plan
16 we want to state things in whole but realistic terms.
17 Finally, that they should reflect a consensus. And you can
18 read objectives and policies as we go through, what those
19 are required to be.

20 Basically, the way that I'd like to go through, if
21 it's okay with everyone, is I will read the goal and then
22 I'll phrase what both of the objectives are. If there's
23 three, I'll read what those three are. And then I'll read
24 through the policies, and then we can discuss each of the
25 four issues related to all of them. And you can just chime

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1 in at any point if you feel something is left out, if
2 something needs to be added or deleted, or any of that.
3 Does that sound all right?

4 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: It sounds good to me. I just
5 have to keep reminding myself, these are Maui-wide goals and
6 objectives. This is for Maui, it's for the entire County,
7 it's not specific to Moloka'i. So I just have to keep
8 reminding myself of that, because that's where I kind of
9 want to jump to right away.

10 MS. WADE: The one thing I'll say is that if
11 things come up that we think are going to be Moloka'i
12 specific, we will keep a running list of that so we can come
13 back to it. We may not put it in this level of the plan,
14 but we won't forget about it.

15 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

16 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Now we
17 are going to go through this exercise tonight on these four
18 sections, and we will probably go through other sections at
19 other meetings. But we might change our minds as we go
20 through and see the relationship of everything. What is
21 your idea of how the process will unfold to get to a final
22 consensus on all the various sections?

23 MS. WADE: That's a great question. That's
24 actually the one question that we missed presenting to you
25 by missing that last Power Point. That's why this matrix is

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1 organized the way it is, Maui, Moloka'i and Lana'i all on
2 this page, because it will illustrate all of your comments
3 about each of the policy statements. So you will be able to
4 see what each group felt was important to them about each of
5 the statements. And then finally staff will make a
6 recommendation about how we feel the policy should be
7 structured to incorporate all four groups' ideas and
8 concerns.

9 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

10 MR. TEVES: Question. Because we had that last
11 meeting cancelled, are we going to catch up on certain
12 things or are we supposed to cover twice as many things
13 tonight?

14 MS. WADE: Not really. At the last meeting we had
15 a Power Point which we passed out to you, and if you didn't
16 get a copy I've got extra copies here. Essentially they
17 asked questions. I posed the questions that people had
18 asked about the plan, why is it structured the way it is,
19 some other kinds of general questions, and responded to
20 them. And all of that is available in that Power Point for
21 you to read if you like. We also discussed how we were
22 going to go through this process of reviewing with this
23 matrix as our primary tool.

24 So really, it's just general. It was very
25 general. And for people who had missed the meeting before

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1 where we distributed the plan, it was helpful, but I think
2 for most people it was kind of redundant. And essentially
3 by just jumping in to review the plan you are going to be
4 right on track with everybody else.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other questions or comments
6 for Erin? Okay, let's go.

7 MS. WADE: Great let's started. We are going to
8 start with item B, that's what we started on with the other
9 two groups, and that's to Protect the Natural Environment.
10 That's on page 2 of your matrix. So the goal for the
11 natural environment is stated as, "Maui County will have
12 significant areas of permanently preserved natural
13 resources, and adopt policies to ensure their protection."

14 The two objectives talk about -- the first one
15 talks about environmentally sensitive resources, and the
16 second one talks about valued open spaces. So we broke up
17 natural features into two basically primary areas. The
18 first one is, "Expand the preservation of environmentally
19 sensitive, locally valued natural resources and Hawaiian
20 ecosystems." Is there any comment or concern about that
21 objective the way it is contented?

22 MS. DAVIS: Mahea Davis. What's your definition
23 of Hawaiian ecosystems, ecosystems in Hawaii?

24 MS. WADE: Indigenous Hawaiian systems.

25 MS. DAVIS: I don't know what that means. I don't

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1 get it.

2 MS. WADE: That's good. One of the actual
3 questions that we had on the other islands is definitions.
4 People requested definitions of some things. So I will put
5 that down.

6 MS. DAVIS: I would appreciate definitions, but
7 can you tell me what you think that means, what that wording
8 means? Hawaiian as a cultural ecosystem or Hawaiian as a
9 geographic ecosystem?

10 MS. WADE: Geographic flora and fauna, basically.
11 Talking about plant and animal species that are native or
12 indigenous to the islands, to protect them.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

14 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I had
15 sort of a similar concern about what a Hawaiian ecosystem
16 was, and I sort of added the words -- I took out the
17 "Hawaiian" and put "the land, ocean and water ecosystems
18 that are unique to each island," because there's marine
19 ecosystems, there's plant ecosystems. And not knowing, so I
20 put "land, ocean and water ecosystems that are unique to
21 each island" because there may be certain ecosystems that
22 are more important here that don't exist on Maui or
23 whatever. Then when it gets down to the island plan, each
24 island can go from there and work on it from that
25 standpoint.

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments on this
2 item?

3 MS. WADE: We can always come back as we get to
4 the policies. If we need to add something we can just jump
5 back to the topic. Okay, 28 is, "Protect and restore near
6 shore reef environments and water quality through
7 strengthened coastal zone management, re-naturalization of
8 shorelines, and mitigation of urban and agricultural
9 run-off." I see nodding, primarily. What I'm going to do
10 is just keep going through these, and please jump in if
11 there's comments, or if you need a minute to comment about
12 it, that's absolutely fine.

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Mr. Chair.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

15 MR. VANDERBILT: We're trying to get clarity in
16 the words and everything, and "re-naturalization of the
17 shorelines," I wasn't quite sure what that meant. And I'm
18 not quite sure what is meant by "strengthened coastal zone
19 management." I don't know how you would strengthen those
20 things. And I guess the other thing is what was the source
21 of all these policy statements? I notice some of them came
22 from the old general plan and some came from some other
23 places. Can you share that?

24 MS. WADE: Yes, I'd like to. A lot of them are
25 from the 1990 plan. In fact, awhile back we gave you a

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1 matrix -- you're getting a lot of matrix's -- that showed
2 all of the 1990 goals, objectives and policies, and then
3 where they ended up in the new plan. A lot of times what we
4 did was we took some of them from the 1990 plan and fused
5 them together, because the same idea would show up in many
6 places in the 1990 plan, so we consolidated it into a single
7 policy in a lot of cases.

8 So it might not be the exact same language, but
9 it's the same idea essentially. Some of them are the exact
10 same language, though. And then we also, in going through
11 that Maui County Today section where we identified specific
12 problems that we didn't see that were addressed in the 1990
13 plan, we as a group came up with policies that we thought
14 would be of assistance. This is an example of one,
15 actually. 28 is a brand new one.

16 So in terms of the re-naturalization, basically
17 what that gets to is, where possible, eliminating sea walls
18 and things that prevent the natural process from occurring
19 at the shoreline. Strengthening coastal zone management, I
20 think what that's really speaking to is more enforcement.
21 What it's going to enable us to do in the long term is
22 provide more enforcement. A lot of these what they're doing
23 is teeing up an actual action. So I'm giving you examples
24 of actions that might take place as a result of this policy,
25 and that will come later in the process.

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Could I ask you a question on
2 what the definition of shoreline is? Is that defined under
3 other county codes? What is considered -- how wide is the
4 shoreline, is my question, I guess.

5 MS. WADE: Is shoreline high water mark in Hawaii?
6 High water mark.

7 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Shoreline
8 is defined in state law in HRS 205(a).

9 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: High tide, high water mark?

10 MR. SUMMERS: There have been a number of recent
11 changes to that definition, so I would need to go back and
12 get the most recent one.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

14 MR. ARAKAKI: Do we have the privilege to expand
15 that, saying it's higher, to express the importance of our
16 island's natural resource? I think we should really pay
17 attention to the opening paragraph here that states in here
18 some of the examples in which help people put values. The
19 participants said if they must choose between areas of need
20 to make trade-offs, the majority believe that preserving
21 natural resources, the island's local identity, and culture
22 must be considered before improvement to infrastructure or
23 even steps to strengthen the economy.

24 So if they place this protection of our natural
25 environment even over some of the trade-offs that we make.

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1 How do we put that kind of language in this? It should be
2 prefaced maybe at the beginning that this is one of the
3 priorities, or I don't know if priority, but they have
4 emphasized that this is one of the important things that we
5 should do in our county, and we should reflect that, rather
6 than take it like it's equal to everything else. This area
7 here should have a little emphasis. If we had to choose
8 this becomes a filter in which we decide things, and I'm not
9 sure how we put that kind of language in here.

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

11 MR. TEVES: I'd like to add to that if you look at
12 the coastal strand along this island it has some of the
13 rarest plants in the world. And we cannot just say, okay,
14 we are going to draw a circle around this plant five feet
15 out and this is the protected area, you have got to go wider
16 than that. We need to look at how we define this. How far
17 in do we go to protect this resource that can disappear?

18 I remember in the 1970's when the Maori came to
19 the Big Island and they went to the top of Mauna Kea and
20 they looked down and they said, "You guys better get control
21 of your coastline, man, or you guys ain't going to have
22 access in the future." Not only from the standpoint of
23 access, but from the standpoint of protection of the rare
24 plants along the coast.

25 I think that may not be one example of some of the

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1 rarest plants around, but I think a lot of the areas not
2 enough work has been done in looking at what plants are
3 there. That's one of the problems. The biggest problem
4 right now is access to some of these areas.

5 MR. ARAKAKI: There are other examples of how we
6 put priority emphasis. I've got friends on Maui. When they
7 want to go get he'e there's only a certain time of the day
8 they have to go, because after that the wind, the people out
9 on their sails, they got recreation rights. And I'd like to
10 think if the gathering rights is more important, or
11 something we want to promote. We should put some kind of
12 emphasis in there that if someone wanted to get he'e it
13 should take precedent over somebody that wanted to go
14 sailing or something like that. I know that because they go
15 from a certain time. At 10:00 they have got to be out of
16 the water.

17 MS. WADE: The cultural practices are in the local
18 cultural preservation goal, so that is one that is exactly
19 addressed in that section. We actually didn't address that
20 one specifically in natural resources, we talked primarily
21 about the natural resources themselves. Several of the
22 things you are bringing up are actually listed as policies
23 as well, so maybe we should keep going through and you will
24 realize some of it has been identified too in the written
25 policies.

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1 MR. TEVES: I guess some of the problems,
2 especially more on Maui than on Moloka'i, where we have
3 over-use of our recreation resources and you have got
4 conflicting uses in the area. And what Alton was alluding
5 to was Kanaha Park. We have a lot of these old timers that
6 go squid fishing in that area, and the good time is in the
7 morning. In the meantime you have all these windsurfers in
8 the area. Hopefully we can address some of these things,
9 although they're not here yet, who knows when they're going
10 to be, if they're going to occur or not. Maybe we can be
11 ahead of the cusp on some of these issues.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think
14 we have got to look at these policy statements as statements
15 that don't cut us off from doing something that we want to
16 do in our Island Community Plan. If the statement leaves
17 the door open for us to have a different policy under our
18 Island Plan than Maui, then I think that's where we need to
19 look at this, rather than trying to cover everything. If
20 the statement is broad enough to allow us to do some of the
21 things that Alton and Glenn were saying, then maybe we go
22 with a more general statement, rather than trying to define
23 everything.

24 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Miss Davis.

25 MS. DAVIS: Going back to our goal, I think it is

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1 too limited in that it reads to me like it would be okay to
2 put boundaries around certain areas that are really neat or
3 that have unique flora or fauna or some significance, and
4 preserve that, and that would be enough. I'm thinking what
5 I'd like to see is this goal expanded to recognize ahupua'a,
6 and I think that's one of the failings in a lot of the
7 planning decisions that are made, is that we look at things
8 in an isolated way and fail to recognize that there's a
9 connectivity between everything mauka to makai.

10 Now, going back to traditional planning, it was
11 ahupua'a-based or watershed-based, and I don't see that in
12 this goal. I feel like this is almost like we'll put a
13 fence around the really nice things and that will be okay.
14 But we all know, being involved in planning for a small
15 island, we can see pretty readily that everything is
16 connected, and you cannot just look at what's happening up
17 there. Common sense tells us whatever happens affects
18 everything downhill, downstream, all the way out to the
19 offshore areas.

20 So I'd like to see some kind of wording that
21 expands this to recognize the inter-relationships within the
22 various ecosystems, even recognizes, uses the word ahupua'a
23 slash watershed, and finishing up by saying this last part,
24 "and ensure their protection" meaning all of the elements
25 within that, which would allow planners and planning

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1 commissioners, planning department people to really take a
2 broader look at potential impacts or potential benefits of
3 any kind of proposal.

4 MS. WADE: That's a great idea. We actually got a
5 similar suggestion about connectivity on Maui. But I like
6 your idea of ahupua'a. If everybody agrees, I'd like to
7 craft some wording to incorporate that into the goal.

8 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think
9 DeGray hit the nail on the head in terms of the whole
10 philosophy or purpose of this document. If we can focus on
11 whether or not this document enables our community to do the
12 kinds of things that Glenn and Alton talked about, that's
13 the critical issue. Are we enabling our communities through
14 these policies to effectuate a future that they want to
15 achieve, and that's really the whole purpose of this
16 document. So if we can review these policies with that in
17 mind, I think it will make for a very constructive process.

18 MS. WADE: If that's okay, I'll read 29, "Work in
19 partnership with other agencies and organizations to
20 development programs which preserve bio-diversity, protect
21 native species, and facilitate the control of damaging
22 invasive species."

23 30 is, "Work in partnership with various
24 organizations to protect critical habitat areas."

25 31 kind of gets to some of the things Mahealani

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1 was talking about, "Preserve and reestablish habitat
2 connectivity through greenways, watercourses, and habitat
3 corridors."

4 32 talks about the development process, "Evaluate
5 development to assess its impact on the County's land and
6 marine resources."

7 33, "Support programs and regulations which will
8 foster the restoration and protection of the County's upland
9 forest environments."

10 34, "Support programs and regulations which reduce
11 air, land and water pollution."

12 35, "Support programs which forward the use of
13 stormwater treatment technologies which incorporate the use
14 of native vegetation and mimic natural systems."

15 36, "Partner with state agencies to establish
16 baseline stream flow levels for perennial streams, and
17 promote policies that ensure adequate stream flow to support
18 aquatic species."

19 37, "Protect remaining undeveloped beaches, dunes
20 and coastal ecosystems and restore natural shoreline
21 processes where possible." Any comments on any of that?

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

23 MR. ARAKAKI: The last time we talked about
24 global warming, and I'm not sure if this is where we put it
25 in, reducing whatever might cause global warming. And maybe

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1 just the specific wording in the section about air
2 pollution.

3 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Item number 34 you are
4 referring to, I think.

5 MR. ARAKAKI: Yes, 34.

6 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments? Miss
7 Davis.

8 MS. DAVIS: I support Alton's suggestion to add
9 some wording to item 34 that recognizes we would like to
10 look for every opportunity to reduce Co2 emissions, or
11 whatever language to recognize that that is a desire. And
12 also in, what is E, evaluate development. In item 32, could
13 we add between "land and marine resources" the word "water"
14 so that we would "Evaluate development to assess its impact
15 on County's land, water, and marine resources."

16 MS. WADE: Got it.

17 MS. DAVIS: Thank you.

18 MR. KIMBALL: Mr. Chair?

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Kimball.

20 MR. KIMBALL: Someplace in here that the County
21 would, if it's possible, take an inventory of some of these
22 areas that need protecting within the jurisdiction of the
23 County of Maui. If they can get out there and identify what
24 areas need protecting, and more specifically what plants for
25 that area that are endangered, and if we can come up with

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1 some kind of inventory within the County of Maui. It might
2 help in case you run into future developments. People want
3 to go into certain areas, but it's already within the
4 County's recognized areas of places where we have problems
5 with the environment. It might help alleviate some
6 headaches. I don't know how to word that, though.

7 MS. WADE: Number 40 gets to that a little bit,
8 but also I mentioned before that some of these are stated as
9 action strategies. I was giving you some examples of action
10 strategies. What we will do is, you probably won't see
11 "create an inventory" on the list here, but we are going to
12 create a list of implementation strategies that will come
13 back, and we will determine whether or not that should be
14 part of this document, which is section five,
15 implementation.

16 Right now that section just talks about what will
17 come next in terms of plans and ordinances and that kind of
18 a thing. But what will happen in the next round, round two,
19 is to assign timelines, departments, that kind of a thing,
20 tasks. So that will also happen at the Moloka'i Plan level.

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

22 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. In this
23 booklet that we were given, on page 18 it talks about
24 conservative estimates suggest that the sea level may rise
25 up to three meters within the next 30 years, and that's

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1 going to put a hurt on Ma'alaea, Kaunakakai, Kaanapali,
2 probably the east end too. Prudent planning will consider
3 likely sea level rises as variable in the planning for the
4 islands' future.

5 So with that in mind, up in number 28, at the end,
6 add "and discourage all types of shoreline development."
7 Because it seems pointless if this is one of the things we
8 have got to consider, to consider allowing development right
9 up on the coastline. And that's something that says
10 "discourage." Maybe there's a reason that it could be, but
11 at least that discouraging would make you start looking at
12 some of these things that we are supposed to be looking at,
13 according to this document. Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments?

15 MR. VANDERBILT: Excuse me. In the current
16 general plan it says, "discourage all types of shoreline
17 development" in the 1990 plan under "environment."

18 MS. WADE: Okay, great. We will keep going, but
19 if you come up with something that you want to go back to,
20 just let me know. The second objective is about views and
21 open spaces, 38, "Preserve the opportunity to experience the
22 natural beauty of the islands through the protection of view
23 corridors, open spaces, vistas and natural landmarks."

24 39, "Utilize land conservation tools to ensure the
25 permanence of valued open spaces."

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1 40 is, "Work cooperatively with institutions and
2 land trust organizations to identify, preserve and provide
3 ongoing care for important scenic and environmental
4 resources."

5 41, "Utilize design guidelines to protect the
6 beauty, character, landscapes and view corridors that make
7 Maui County special."

8 42, "Develop and implement financial programs to
9 acquire lands with scenic and environmental resources." Any
10 comments?

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

12 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chair. On 40, it
13 says, "work cooperatively with institutions and land trust
14 organizations." I would strike through that first part and
15 just leave it "identify, preserve and provide ongoing care
16 for important scenic and environmental resources." There
17 are a lot of varieties, and I don't know what institutions
18 you are talking about. But that makes it more of a general
19 statement, and then each community can take it up.

20 MR. SUMMERS: I think that does simplify things.

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Other comments? Miss Davis.

22 MS. DAVIS: I just wanted to agree with DeGray. I
23 was going to suggest something to expand what kind of
24 institutions or groups or organizations, because that seems
25 kind of limiting. But I'd agree with the suggestion to just

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1 strike all of the first part and just begin with the word
2 "identify."

3 MS. WADE: Great, we will do that.

4 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Summers.

5 MR. SUMMERS: Is there anything we missed,
6 anything here, policy, that we need to include in order to
7 enable us to do something on the environmental side? Can
8 you think of any pukas?

9 MR. KIMBALL: I want to add something along that
10 line.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Kimball.

12 MR. KIMBALL: Somewhere in the second objective,
13 the preservation of the opportunity to experience the
14 natural beauty of the islands, it's preserved through the
15 Hawaiian culture. The need to preserve, practice and
16 perpetuate the Hawaiian culture will surely enact the
17 preservation of our environment. So something in there that
18 if we can all get back to the culture and practice it, or
19 recognize the host culture, we are going to keep the
20 integrity of these islands intact forever. That's the way I
21 look at it. If we can somehow get some kind of statement to
22 recognize the culture, the host culture with regards to the
23 environment, because nobody practices it better than the
24 Hawaiian people nowadays.

25 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

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1 MR. ARAKAKI: I agree with Ron. And we need to
2 think about this even a step further. I think for Moloka'i
3 I know we pride ourselves in I think what we have here in
4 terms of values and our community environment. I really
5 attribute that to -- we talked about the rural community,
6 because we are very fortunate to have an ethnic group, the
7 native ethnic group as the dominant ethnic group on
8 Moloka'i, so I think we experience that here, and I know
9 it's something very, very special. I am not a native
10 Hawaiian, so I know that. I come from a different place.
11 And this is something very, very unique that should be
12 somehow promoted.

13 I'm not sure how you do this. I know Ron is
14 alluding to some of this area, and one of the things that I
15 keep saying in other circles is to work with native plants
16 and preserving endangered plants and so forth, trying to
17 preserve. And I supported the humpback whale sanctuary, and
18 one day I was talking to my kids and I said, You know
19 something, the humpback whales got more aina preserved for
20 them than the Native Hawaiians. Why is that? And I think
21 it's starting to become more than an ethnic issue, I think
22 it's starting to become a humanity issue for our native
23 people here, and I think that's something that's got to be
24 said in here.

25 I experienced that, and this is something that I

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1 think for Moloka'i I think that should be one of the things
2 that we are going to try to perpetuate. I think this is
3 something special, and we need to maintain that. If it's 60
4 percent Native Hawaiians that we have here, I think that's
5 the number that we should keep. It shouldn't go lower than
6 60 percent. I think that is something that we are very
7 special in the State of Hawaii here that we should
8 perpetuate, and we should recognize that and that is
9 something special.

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

11 MR. TEVES: I just want to add to that. First of
12 all, I think the Okinawans are pretty close to the Hawaiians
13 because they're dark in their race. I'm saying they are
14 cousins, okay. But I think, you know, I just come back to
15 this whole thing about endangered species. I remember I
16 recall an incident on Moloka'i where you had these three
17 state workers and they were arguing about who was going to
18 climb up this tower. And it just so happened the Hawaiian
19 guy was the low man on the totem pole and he had to go up.
20 And the next guy who was low on the totem pole was Kiyoshi
21 Watanabe. And Glenn Borden was the boss, and he said,
22 Glenn, you have got to walk the tower. And he said, "Yeah,
23 but we're endangered species. Maybe you should let Kiyoshi
24 go up there." So they sent Kiyoshi up to check the tower.
25 (Laughter).

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1 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We will take
2 a crack at developing the policy, and maybe at the next
3 meeting you can help us to develop the policy.

4 MR. KIMBALL: Excuse me. I didn't want a policy,
5 I wanted it to be incorporated into objective 38. Something
6 to express the natural beauty of the islands. You can
7 expand from that, through the perpetuation, preservation of
8 the Hawaiian culture. Just add right onto that and go from
9 there.

10 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you, Mr. Kimball. Mr.
12 Vanderbilt.

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chair. There was
14 a statement in the old general plan that's being amended now
15 that came from Moloka'i, because I distinctly remember it,
16 and it was discourage all types of shoreline development
17 that impact on traditional community or native activities,
18 which include food gathering, religious and recreational
19 uses. That's in the 1990 community plan. So I would just
20 suggest that as an additional one, 43.

21 MS. WADE: Got it, thank you.

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Miss Davis.

23 MS. DAVIS: I just have a question about something
24 Ron had mentioned about establishing baseline data. I think
25 you were referring to plants, inventories of significant

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1 plant communities. But I wanted to throw this out for
2 discussion, that Maui County wide there's a scarcity of good
3 baseline data for a lot of other things, so I'd like to see
4 -- then I want to know how everyone else feels -- to add
5 something to this. It might be elsewhere in the plan, but
6 something that says we would encourage the County to work
7 with other government agencies or private groups. But what
8 comes to mind is USGS, to establish some of the baseline
9 data for water that we don't have, but I'm sure there's
10 other things that we could use more information about.

11 I see this coming up all the time in planning
12 documents, that we have less forest cover or we have
13 declining levels of this or that, but nobody really knows
14 what that means because we don't have good baseline numbers
15 to work from. So I'd like to see Maui County take a lead on
16 that in the State of Hawaii. I'd also like to know what
17 other people think.

18 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

19 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I think we mentioned
20 this earlier at an earlier meeting, that we would like to
21 have the water commission before this committee to get some
22 ideas on the water on the island in light of the drought and
23 some of the County wells getting salty. That becomes a
24 starting point for any planning in a community. Why plan
25 for a community if you don't have the water. So I think

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1 this is critical that we get the commission on water
2 resource management here as well as USGS to give us some
3 ideas. I know USGS has kind of shied away from coming to
4 conclusions, basically wanting to just present data. But
5 just presenting data is not enough, we really want to know
6 what the causes are to see if we can mitigate some of these
7 causes.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

9 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would
10 think that that request for the Commission on Water
11 Resources would come at the time we were dealing with our
12 Island Plan.

13 MS. WADE: One of the things that I think I heard
14 you say though, several of you now, I think we can combine
15 something to make a policy that says work or deliberate with
16 other agencies to establish base lines of existing and
17 understand existing conditions of populations, their
18 locations and causes of decline. Something to that extent
19 for a policy. I mean we will work on the wording. But am I
20 getting at what you were trying to say?

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Miss Davis.

22 MS. DAVIS: Yes, you are. Yes, you're getting
23 there. That's close. I'm thinking it's biological
24 populations, botanical, it's also water, it's also good
25 forest, you know, how much native forest do we have left, as

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1 opposed to areas that are just choke with Miconia and don't
2 really function as a good watershed any more. When we look
3 at numbers I often look at when was this report done, when
4 was that study done, and it's 1940's, it's 1910, you know,
5 in some cases. People agree that, gee, we need to have
6 better numbers so we can do a better job of storage shed,
7 but somehow you don't have the time or the money. All the
8 agencies have to kind of -- all the stars have to align
9 before that actually happens.

10 So I think this is a good opportunity for Maui
11 County to say we really need to do this now. There's
12 already, you know, like global warming. I live by the
13 beach; I don't know where I'm going to be in ten years. But
14 we're real late getting on this already. I don't think it
15 will hurt to have a real strong policy statement.

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

17 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to add to
18 that. In 1975 I was involved in an inventory of Haleakala
19 crater, and basically we had teams funded by I guess federal
20 money to actually inventory the whole vegetation, insects,
21 everything we could even find in the entire area. It took
22 us three summers basically to inventory the whole place. My
23 job was insects and shooting goats part time but it's
24 amazing because like in Haleakala crater 95 percent of the
25 plants are found, insects are found only there and no where

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1 else in the world. That's just one area. How far out of
2 that area does these native populations move. So I think
3 those kinds of things, and I wouldn't doubt that up in this
4 forest it's the same situation in many areas. We need to
5 really, if we want to measure change, we've got to start
6 getting basic inventory going on.

7 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

8 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On 33,
9 in light of what Mahealani was talking about, it just says
10 "support programs." I would like to see it say, "develop
11 programs and regulations which will foster the restoration
12 and protection of the County's upland forest and watershed
13 environments."

14 MS. WADE: I think the reason we put "support" is
15 only because it's broader. It enables us to work with other
16 agencies as well as perhaps develop our own. But the County
17 doesn't have a whole lot of authority over a lot of these
18 resources, many of them are in the state conservation area.
19 A lot of them are not, a lot of them we will protect through
20 development regulations. But maybe what we need is support
21 and develop, or language that allows us to be a little bit
22 stronger about the way we're stating it. Strengthen the
23 language so it's got a little more bite to it.

24 MR. VANDERBILT: I was just thinking this is a
25 policy thing, and then when it comes to Lana'i and Maui and

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1 Moloka'i at least it gives us some direction that we can
2 develop something working with other groups. And I think it
3 would be good to add in "and watershed environments."

4 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

6 MR. TEVES: I understand the rationale behind what
7 Mr. Vanderbilt is talking about. The County needs to take
8 the lead in some of these things, because nobody is going to
9 do it for us. If we don't bring these things to the
10 attention of others it may not be done. So I think that's
11 where I think he's headed.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

13 MR. ARAKAKI: It brings to my point that the
14 County of Maui has placed natural resources in a very high
15 level. Natural resource, maintain these local kinds of
16 cultures. And over and above even to say that it's over and
17 above some economic kinds of decisions that we need to
18 consider those areas. So I think this part, we need to
19 preface this thing to make sure that we recognize that when
20 we start dealing with this that some of the things that we
21 might make this has to filter through this. So I'm not sure
22 how we do that as a board.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

24 MR. TEVES: If this is as important as some of the
25 stuff Mr. Arakaki was reading, I could even see the County

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1 having an Office of the Environment to address these things.
2 We can't just pass it off to other people. I mean if it's
3 that important and if that is what's at the base of economic
4 development in Maui County, then we have got to put our
5 money where our mouth is.

6 MS. WADE: Great. We will list that as a
7 potential implementation strategy.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Miss Davis.

9 MS. DAVIS: I just wanted to speak in support of
10 that idea. I know at least with the Water Commission and
11 discussions about protecting Iao Aquifer that the home rule
12 thing kept coming up. That the county would prefer to have
13 more say so, home rule, instead of getting into situations
14 where the County says, "Well, we'd like to. It's the state
15 kuleana, and the state says we'd prefer to have the county
16 take care of their own affairs, not step in unless we really
17 have to."

18 I think what Glenn is suggesting is more than
19 appropriate, to have an Office of Environmental Quality
20 Control, or whatever you want to call it, to make that
21 statement, that the county does intend to take the lead on
22 initiating the work that needs to be done.

23 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We will
24 list that as an implementing action. I know that as a
25 county we're fortunately moving in that direction, the split

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1 of the Department of Public Works and Environmental
2 Management into two different departments. If we can keep
3 the term "support" so it would be "support and develop" I
4 think that would really allow us or enable us to not only
5 develop these programs but also it would enable the
6 community to lobby the state for increased funding and the
7 development of other programs protecting the environment.
8 So if there are no objections, if we can add "develop" to
9 the term "support."

10 MS. WADE: I just would like to point out too
11 we've got about an hour. This is one of the most important
12 sections that we have, so it is going to take longer to get
13 through. Maybe I can summarize what we have got so far, so
14 you know that I've heard what you said. If I didn't, please
15 speak up and let me know. We can keep going.

16 Also, I want to remind you that you can send me
17 personally or any member of the department comments and
18 emails if something comes to you while you are away and you
19 want to get the comment to us, you are welcome to do that.

20 MR. HOPPER: Just to add to that, the comments
21 would be to the department only. Don't send or have
22 communications with each other outside of the meetings.
23 That's important because of the Sunshine Law. You don't
24 want to jeopardize any of the legality of the comments.
25 It's fine to discuss them here in meetings, but don't CC

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1 each other in emails and things like that.

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

3 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So if
4 somebody does send in a comment or two, how will those
5 filter back? As we move on to the next section, how would
6 we look at those as a group?

7 MS. WADE: Well, what we will do, I am going to
8 take the comments that you have given me tonight and
9 incorporate them as Molokai's recommendations, and then as
10 you have more comments they will get incorporated at a later
11 time.

12 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. If we get a
13 written communication from an individual member we will post
14 that on the next agenda in hard copy form to the members at
15 the next meeting.

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mahealani.

17 MS. DAVIS: Are community members welcome to also
18 make comments directly to the department? And how would
19 they do that, just email the Planning Department?

20 MR. SUMMERS: That would be very helpful, to get
21 comments from community organizations that have special
22 expertise in these different areas. The best thing to do
23 would be to send them to the attention of myself at the
24 Planning Department, and that way we can get them back to
25 the GPAC's for consideration.

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1 MS. WADE: Shall I summarize what we have got?
2 For the goal you would like us to expand it and enable
3 identification that this is the highest priority. That
4 natural resources takes precedence over most of the other
5 categories. And that you said it was too limited, you would
6 like to expand it to include the ahupua'a system and
7 watershed protections system, so we identify that it is a
8 system that we want to protect, not just individual
9 resources.

10 You said that you would like in 34 to have a
11 discussion on global warming and its affects. In 32 you
12 wanted me to add "water" to "county's land, water and marine
13 resources." In 28 you said "discourage all types of
14 shoreline development" we will add. In 40, we are going to
15 strike the first part so that it starts out "identify." We
16 are going to add a policy that talks about tying the
17 environment back to the host culture and recognizing that
18 they're really the best stewards of the environment. That
19 that's a good way to preserve our environment.

20 Finally, we are going to add an implementation
21 strategy about doing an inventory, essentially creating base
22 lines and existing information about current flora and
23 fauna, and reasons for their decline.

24 MR. KIMBALL: And developing support.

25 MS. WADE: I'm sorry, yes, 33, add "develop and

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1 support."

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

3 MR. ARAKAKI: I'm not sure if this is the highest
4 priority. Some of the important things were preservation of
5 natural resources, the island local identity, I'm not sure
6 how we play with that, as well as cultural assets as being
7 some of the very important things. So I'm not sure if this
8 is the highest priority.

9 MS. WADE: Okay, thank you for clarifying that.

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Other comments, clarifications
11 for Erin? Mr. Vanderbilt.

12 MR. VANDERBILT: On 36, did you make any changes
13 on 36?

14 MS. WADE: No.

15 MR. VANDERBILT: Well, again, where it says
16 "partner with state agencies to establish," that means we
17 have got to probably wait around for them. I'd like to take
18 out "partner with state agencies" and just start out with
19 establish, "establish baseline stream flow levels."

20 MS. WADE: Great.

21 MR. VANDERBILT: I don't know, that's just my
22 personal opinion.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Kimball.

24 MR. KIMBALL: Mr. Chair, I want to support DeGray
25 on that one.

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1 MS. WADE: Okay, are we prepared to move on? You
2 can always come back to this. Yes? Okay, great. The next
3 one is C, it's about strengthening social services and
4 public facilities. I will tell you that on Lana'i we had a
5 recommendation to break these out as do social services as
6 one goal and do public facilities as a separate goal. So as
7 we go through this if you determine that that would be
8 better, just let me know.

9 We have stated the goal, number 48, "The physical,
10 mental and spiritual health needs of all segments of Maui
11 County's population will be recognized and met." The first
12 section is really about services, I mean the first objective
13 is about services, the second objective is about facilities,
14 and the third objective is really about safety and security.

15 So the first objective, "Provide all Maui County
16 residents and visitors access to quality health services,
17 and improve the overall wellness of the people of Maui
18 County." We've supported that with five policies. Number
19 50, "Encourage the expansion and improvement of local
20 hospitals, and ensure prompt and high-quality emergency care
21 services for all residents and visitors."

22 51, "Support broadened access to health insurance
23 and health care."

24 52, "Strengthen partnerships with local
25 organizations through the County Housing and Human Services

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1 Department to provide counseling and assistance for
2 substance abuse, domestic violence, and other pressing
3 social challenges."

4 53, "Improve social and governmental services for
5 special needs populations."

6 And 54, "Support programs designed to improve the
7 general welfare of Native Hawaiians." Any comments?

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mahealani.

9 MS. DAVIS: I think in the policy 50 if we could
10 add something that says, "improve access to." I'm just
11 thinking that it's not always practical that we will have
12 everything here that we need or would like, because of the
13 population. But if we can somewhere in this list look at
14 improved access by all Maui County residents to facilities,
15 wherever they might be. They may not be on the same island
16 or down the road. Emergency ambulance service comes to
17 mind.

18 MS. WADE: That's a great point that was brought
19 up by Lana'i too, recognizing the economic burden for
20 residents when they do have an incident, a health incident
21 where someone has to be medevaced or the whole family goes
22 over to stay too. There's a lot more economic impact to
23 having resources located on a totally different island.
24 It's different when you have got a region that you can drive
25 to. You don't have that. So I think that's something that

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1 Lana'i has asked that we incorporate.

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Kimball.

3 MR. KIMBALL: Without having to read through
4 everything with the rest of the other stuff, the housing
5 issue, affordable housing, where would that fall? I believe
6 it's a social issue. I cannot find a statement in here to
7 encourage or support or help with affordable housing or
8 homes situations or whatever, unless it's outlined someplace
9 else.

10 MS. WADE: It's on item I. We've actually got a
11 whole goal on it. That's the next one we get to.

12 MR. KIMBALL: Disregard.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

14 MR. VANDERBILT: On 52 it's just I don't quite
15 understand the relationship. It says, "Strengthen
16 partnerships with local organizations through the County
17 Housing and Human Services Department to provide counseling
18 and assistance for substance abuse, domestic violence, and
19 other pressing social needs." Why does it say, "through the
20 County Housing and Human Services Department?" Because
21 there's probably a lot of partnerships you can get in. Why
22 does the community have to necessarily go through the County
23 Housing and Human Services Department?

24 MS. WADE: I don't know the answer to that. Do
25 you, John?

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1 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I don't
2 know the answer to that, but I would think that maybe if we
3 struck that language and replaced it with "strengthen
4 partnerships among state, county and non-profit
5 organizations" I think that's more expansive and probably
6 will be more effective.

7 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

8 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I don't even think we
9 have that department on this island, so that's one of the
10 problems, I guess. That's why we have such a big problem
11 with substance abuse and everything else. I mean we don't
12 have a lot of services over here, so I think the statement
13 is well warranted.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Yes, it doesn't make too much
15 sense to have to go through an office that's not on our
16 island. We'd have to go off island to get assistance on
17 Moloka'i. Another access issue. Miss Davis.

18 MS. DAVIS: Thank you. Can I suggest, I work for
19 a local organization that addresses some of these things,
20 and I'm thinking that maybe the intent here was to -- what I
21 would say is take out "strengthen" and say "encourage
22 partnerships" and take out all that specific thing. Just
23 encourage partnerships to provide these services.

24 MS. WADE: I think I had that and someone took
25 offense because there wasn't a partnership. So we said,

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1 okay, strengthen it. We can do encourage and strengthen.

2 MS. DAVIS: In reality that's how it works. And
3 we don't have access to most of the, gosh, half the services
4 that are on Maui island are not -- we don't have access to.
5 They may say they're countywide, but in reality we can't get
6 to them and they don't come over here.

7 MS. WADE: Are there any more comments under this
8 objective, the first objective?

9 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

10 MR. ARAKAKI: Where do we address something like
11 long-term care for an island like this? It's nonexistent
12 pretty much.

13 MS. WADE: This would be the place. If you have
14 got a suggestion, let's add something.

15 MR. ARAKAKI: I think long-term care should be
16 recognized.

17 MR. SUMMERS: That was an issue that came up on
18 Lana'i as well.

19 MR. ARAKAKI: I'm looking into the future.

20 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, if you don't have
21 long-term care maybe you just have to strengthen short-term
22 care. Longer short-term care.

23 MS. WADE: Great. We will add a policy on
24 long-term care. Are there any social services we have
25 overlooked here?

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1 MR. TEVES: You mean on this island or on this
2 plan?

3 MS. WADE: The whole plan. That would be a long
4 discussion, wouldn't it? Just are there any social services
5 that we haven't talked about in the plan that should be
6 addressed?

7 MR. TEVES: I think the other one would be
8 transition for the incarcerated. I don't think we have got
9 anything on this island to deal with that, when somebody is
10 incarcerated and they come back to the island. I think
11 there would be a need for some kind of transition. Not just
12 monitoring, but ankle bracelets and that kind of stuff.
13 Just transitioning them back into the real world.

14 MS. WADE: Great. We got that comment on Maui
15 too, thank you.

16 Okay, the second objective, 55, "Provide clean and
17 well maintained recreational facilities, and expand access
18 to public lands to make the present and future needs of
19 residents of all ages and physical ability."

20 56, "Identify and develop lands for parks, civic
21 spaces and public uses."

22 57, "Maintain and enhance both active and passive
23 recreation facilities in ways that preserve the natural
24 beauty of their locations."

25 58, "Encourage 'Kamaaina' programs within the

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1 visitor industry to allow Hawaii residents to enjoy visitor
2 facilities and activities."

3 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

4 MR. TEVES: In the past you can take your whole
5 family, and now they're charging for every single person.
6 So if there's any kamaaina programs, I don't know about it.
7 If anything, kamaaina programs have gone by the wayside. I
8 don't know what the county role is in this kind of
9 situation. It's my impression that in most hotels they
10 either want to see you working at the hotel or not around at
11 all, and that's been the modus operandi in Maui County, I
12 would say. So if they want you to really do it they've got
13 to put their money where their mouth is. I don't think
14 there are kamaaina programs.

15 The same goes for 59, you cannot say "encourage,"
16 we have got to "develop." If we want to curb crime and
17 drugs on this island, the recreation programs are the key.
18 And right now the county recreation programs, I'm sorry, but
19 they're just not acceptable. We have hubs on this island
20 that we should be having recreation programs, in Mauna Loa,
21 in Hoolehua, not only in Kaunakakai.

22 But even the program in Kaunakakai, I've been
23 spending a lot of time at the gym in the past couple of
24 months, and I have to say it's almost pathetic. We need to
25 really build up the recreation programs on this island,

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1 because I think a lot of these kids are really talented.
2 Especially we seem to draw the problem kids to the
3 recreation programs, and I think there's a lot of ways of
4 working with these kids making sure they have good grades,
5 helping them with the grades. I think the youth center is
6 doing a good job, but they're overwhelmed. We have to look
7 at programs on this island, and not only look at it from the
8 standpoint of recreation, but looking at it from the
9 standpoint of crime prevention.

10 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Mr. Chairman.

11 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Duvauchelle.

12 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Thank you. I just want to
13 encourage that, what Glenn just said. There is a lot of
14 need for this recreation. There's a lot of children out
15 there with nothing to do, and exactly what Glenn said. So I
16 really want to encourage that. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mahealani.

18 MS. DAVIS: Thank you. Is this where we would put
19 bikeways, is that a public facility?

20 MS. WADE: Absolutely.

21 MS. DAVIS: I'd like to see some promotion of
22 bikeway systems in Maui County. I'm thinking kind of
23 specifically, well, I ride my bike to work whenever I can,
24 weather permitting, and it's scary. I also see kids riding
25 bikes to school, and it is scary. I've also seen kids

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1 riding bikes to school, and it is scary. I've seen near
2 collisions I don't know how many times. I can't imagine
3 anybody on Maui even trying it. But I think if we had safer
4 bikeways, if it was in the plan to have the roads wide
5 enough to accommodate bikeways on both sides, we'd see a lot
6 more people leaving their cars at home and using those
7 bikeways for recreation, for getting to school, getting to
8 work, doing shopping. I think it would go a long way to
9 helping promote some of the environmental values that we'd
10 like to see, making it easier for people to participate.

11 MS. WADE: We will add something on that, thank
12 you.

13 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Arakaki.

14 MR. ARAKAKI: Is this where we add -- when we
15 went to the EC there was a committee called the Recreation
16 Committee. One of the things they proposed that I thought
17 was a really good idea was take a look at improving a
18 facility to hold concerts and plays and that kind of thing.
19 It could be a multi-purpose type of recreation/art kind of
20 thing. But that is something that I think we can expand our
21 at least access to those kinds of cultural activities. I
22 think that was one of the priorities, and it's still there
23 in the back of my mind, and maybe this is a good time to put
24 it in for us.

25 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I would just like to add that's

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1 one thing that the whole Moloka'i education system would
2 also like to do, provide that drama/performance capability
3 in the next phase of its development. Mr. Teves.

4 MR. TEVES: I just wanted to add to that, to the
5 lack of a drama facility, that we have more dramas at the
6 meetings nowadays. I think we need to confine it to a
7 performing arts facility.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

9 MR. VANDERBILT: Yes, to follow up on Mr. Teves'
10 comment, I've told visitors many times that our community
11 meetings are our live theatre. But anyway, with regard to
12 just on item 58 where it had "encourage kamaaina programs"
13 if we could put "develop balanced kamaaina programs."

14 MS. WADE: What do you mean by "balanced"?

15 MR. VANDERBILT: Balanced. Through this whole
16 plan they're talking about balance. It's a word used all
17 the time. In this case it would be not just having the
18 kamaaina rates when you don't have -- I don't know.

19 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Instead of balance, something
20 that says "effective ongoing" or something like that.

21 MR. VANDERBILT: And then on 59, "develop
22 recreation, celebratory and leisure activities," instead of
23 "encourage." And then up in 50 take out "encourage" and
24 just say, "expand and improve local hospitals." Thank you,
25 Mr. Chair.

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments for Erin on
2 this goal, this objective? Mr. Medeiros.

3 MR. MEDEIROS: One quick question. It goes back
4 to the inventory thing. I don't know how Maui County is
5 fixed for future parks and recreational areas. I know at
6 Kauwela Plantation we tried to give them One Alii Park.
7 They didn't want it. It took years and years to get that
8 through. There was all kinds of things going on. But
9 perhaps I don't know how the County feels, but they just
10 need to purchase land. I don't know what's on their
11 schedule, how that looks.

12 I know I look over on Maui now and the last park I
13 went through was behind the airport, and that's where all
14 the homeless people are sleeping over there. We need to
15 purchase more land, and it's simply they need to look at it
16 that way.

17 MS. WADE: Can I ask a question of Ed? Do you
18 feel that 56 addresses that well enough, or would you like
19 to expand that, "identify and develop lands for parks, civic
20 spaces and public uses."

21 MR. MEDEIROS: I don't think it's enough. I think
22 we need to, again, if we had inventory. We need to purchase
23 land.

24 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: "Actively pursue the purchase
25 of new lands."

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1 MR. SUMMERS: "Develop and purchase."

2 MS. DAVIS: "Identify."

3 MR. SUMMERS: "Identify, acquire and develop."

4 MR. MEDEIROS: "Acquire" is good.

5 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Duvauchelle.

6 MR. DUVAUCHELLE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I
7 would like to go back to the Human Services Department. I
8 do foster homes here on Moloka'i, and we have a lot of kids
9 that are in need. You'd be surprised how many of our kids
10 are taken away and given to foster homes. But one of the
11 problems we have is we no more enough foster homes. So I
12 would like to see maybe the wording to encourage more
13 participants. Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

15 MR. TEVES: I think this is where coordination
16 from the county agencies would really help in the placement,
17 in setting up a database for children and families and those
18 kinds of things. There's probably families out there that
19 wouldn't mind helping if they knew this problem existed. So
20 you almost need some kind of clearing house or some kind of
21 -- I know we're kind of bare bones when it comes to the
22 county over here, and maybe the county needs to really focus
23 on a few important things, instead of trying to do
24 everything. But I think in terms of foster care, that's one
25 real important area. Because what's happening is the kids

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1 are being taken off the island, which is the worst thing
2 that can happen to them.

3 MS. WADE: We got that one, thank you. Shall we
4 go to the third objective, 60, "Provide services, facilities
5 and activities which foster a safer and more secure
6 environment for residents and visitors."

7 61, "Provide a wide range of social programs to
8 help eliminate conditions that lead to crime and social
9 disorder."

10 62, "Encourage a spirit of cooperation between the
11 police and the public." I'm glad you didn't laugh. Lana'i
12 laughed at that one.

13 63, "Expand public education about natural
14 hazards, personal safety and crime prevention." Any
15 comments?

16 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Under 61 could you say, if we
17 get back to the recreational stuff, "provide a wide range of
18 social and recreational programs."

19 MS. WADE: Yes.

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Other comments, suggestions for
21 these items or these policies in this objective? Mahealani.

22 MS. DAVIS: Thank you. I don't quite know how to
23 say this, but going back to the goal for this section, I
24 think we all recognize that there's a connection between
25 people's physical, mental and spiritual health and the

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1 health of the -- I guess the quality of the environment
2 that we're living in. I don't know if it's necessary to put
3 some kind of statement in this section, but I think it would
4 be a good thing to recognize that connection. I don't know
5 how to word that, I'm not sure. I see you nodding, Uncle
6 Jimmy, so I know I'm on the right track. But just to
7 recognize that the health of the people of Maui County is
8 directly connected to the quality of the environment or the
9 communities that we live in.

10 MS. WADE: That's excellent. We will try to word
11 something with that.

12 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

13 MR. VANDERBILT: Mr. Chair, there was -- I forget
14 what the young girl's name was that testified at the
15 Planning Commission. Kuwila, Kuwila Hanchett. She gave a
16 good analogy of the environment and spiritual health and
17 other health, so I'll send that on to you.

18 MS. WADE: Any other comments, other comments
19 about public safety?

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

21 MR. TEVES: I just want to make one comment. I
22 think I guess the reason why we didn't laugh at 62 is that
23 we have good cooperation. I think we have a bunch of local
24 boys over here that understand the situation and are able to
25 mitigate conflicts just because they know the people in the

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1 conflict. And the police are not looked at as police but
2 guys that they went to school with and things like that.
3 And I think that's an important part of the police on
4 Moloka'i, that they have some of these local boys in there
5 that understand the situation and know how to approach the
6 problem.

7 So I think if when I look at the Police Department
8 now, in fact, two of the police officers are really involved
9 in the sports programs at the recreation center, and they're
10 always over there, and that really bridges the gap between
11 the police and the community. So maybe we can have it so
12 that all the policemen must be involved in recreational
13 events, and that way we can get some free service.

14 MS. WADE: I know in Honolulu they developed their
15 basketball courts strategically right next to the police
16 stations and fire stations for that very reason, so they're
17 all out there playing together. Okay, John, how much time
18 do we have?

19 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. We have
20 another 45 minutes or so, so we can launch into the housing
21 section.

22 MS. WADE: Would you like me to summarize, then?
23 Maybe take a quick break and then launch into the housing?
24 All right, just to get through this real quick. The
25 amendments I have are, number 50, to say "expand and

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1 improve" instead of "encourage the expansion and
2 improvement." 52 is cut out the "County Housing and Human
3 Services Department" and start with "Encourage." 56,
4 "identify, acquire and develop lands." 57, we wanted to
5 talk more about broader access -- oops, that's for kamaaina.
6 58, broader access to those facilities, ongoing programs,
7 developing kind of a partnership with the visitor industry.
8 59, "develop" recreation, celebratory and leisure
9 activities, instead of "encourage." 61, add "and recreation
10 programs." And 62, from your comment I might put something
11 additional in there about bridging the gap, encouraging
12 police and public safety staff to work with you.

13 And then I had some additions. We will do
14 something about long-term care, an addition on transitions
15 for incarcerated people coming back. One on improving
16 recreation programs on all islands, and after school
17 programs for youth. One on promotion of bikeway systems as
18 both transportation and recreation. One on expanding venues
19 and options for recreation and performance activities. One
20 on foster care and the tradition of hanai, which is
21 something we haven't talked about. And I added as a note to
22 put as an implementation strategy about creating a database
23 and a more coordinated system for that. And then finally
24 one on recognizing the connection between the environment
25 and your mental and spiritual wellness. Did I get it all?

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1 Pretty close at least. All right, great. Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: So we are going to take a short
3 recess. How long is short, five minutes, ten minutes? Five
4 minutes.

5 (Whereupon a brief recess was taken)

6 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Are we ready to proceed on the
7 housing? Let's move along.

8 MS. WADE: You bet. The housing section is on
9 page 11 of your matrix. It's goal I, page 11.

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: "Expand housing opportunities
11 for local residents." Page 11. That's the one after page
12 10, DeGray.

13 MS. WADE: The goal states, "Quality, island
14 appropriate housing will be available to all Maui County
15 residents regardless of their household income, size and
16 age." The first objective, "Eliminate the housing deficit
17 for residents of all income ranges."

18 214, "Provide emergency, transitional, and
19 long-term housing for the homeless population."

20 215, "Expand opportunities for the development of
21 'ohana' cottages and increase awareness about smaller
22 dwelling units as an option for affordable housing."

23 216, "Work with lending institutions to redefine
24 lending criteria to expand housing options for Maui
25 residents."

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1 217, "Work with major industries to develop
2 workforce housing in proximity to job centers."

3 218, "Create incentives for transit-oriented
4 neighborhoods."

5 219, "Streamline the review process for affordable
6 housing development for both single and multi-family
7 projects."

8 220, "Expand access to and information about state
9 and federal programs that provide financial assistance to
10 renters and home buyers."

11 And finally, "Ensure that low and moderate income
12 housing is available in all areas of the county, and is not
13 developed in high concentrations in any single location."

14 Any comments?

15 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Can I ask what transit-oriented
16 neighborhoods are? That's number 218.

17 MS. WADE: Essentially they're compact
18 neighborhoods that would support transit. So mass transit
19 will only serve a neighborhood of a certain density, so
20 that's pretty much what it states. Perhaps we should state
21 it more clearly, like a bus service.

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Kimball.

23 MR. KIMBALL: You know, I really believe that some
24 of our housing problems are caused by the economic growth,
25 economic development. So if you put a curb on development

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1 some way, somehow. Just an example, where a hotel gets
2 approved to be built. They build the hotel and, "Wow, we no
3 enough workers." The next thing you know we start importing
4 workers, bringing in more people without the ability to
5 house people. So you get into a situation where we develop,
6 develop for so-called economic and to provide jobs, but if
7 we have 100 jobs and all of this development provides 500
8 jobs, then we're over by 400. We need people to fill those
9 400 jobs. And then they move into the island, find jobs,
10 and then now they need a place to stay, and the job market
11 gets crunched.

12 I don't know if some kind of statement where
13 controlled growth I guess is the word, controlled growth
14 before more growth happens on the island. Take inventory of
15 what's needed, instead of growth just for growth, just for
16 the needs of it, you know what I'm saying. If there's an
17 unemployment situation, then fine, development to meet your
18 unemployment needs, but not so much development that we've
19 got to import workers.

20 The situation now I notice, I don't want to get
21 into making comments, but I was going to say about the
22 influx of the so-called Mexican workers now. And I've
23 noticed it's huge on Maui and now in Kona, all over the
24 place, and they're on Moloka'i.

25 MS. WADE: The thing that I am going to point out

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1 is all of these issues are very interconnected. If you go
2 through this document and if you have gone through section
3 four, each of these we're going to say, oh, we are going to
4 talk about housing, and in that we also have to talk about
5 transportation and land use and economy. They're all
6 related.

7 So what we've focused our discussion on, both of
8 those subjects under the two goals, Economy, and G, which is
9 "promote sustainable land use planning and development." So
10 the majority of the comments about that are in those two
11 goal sections, and not in the housing.

12 MR. KIMBALL: One other comment. On 215, "Expand
13 opportunities for the development of 'ohana' cottages, and
14 increase awareness about smaller dwelling units," blah,
15 blah. I read a great article in Honolulu Magazine on those
16 land trust guys on Maui, I guess they're doing it on Maui,
17 and they experimented that, where that's their method to try
18 to address affordable housing. I thought it was a real
19 out-of-the-box way of thinking to do it, you know.

20 I don't know how we would incorporate that. I
21 don't know what statement in here would encourage that kind
22 of out-of-the-box type of thinking. I hope those guys get
23 support from the county when the time comes for those
24 so-called land trust guys putting up the housing. I don't
25 know how the county can help these guys become successful,

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1 but I thought it was a real unique way to try to address
2 Maui's housing shortage problem.

3 MS. WADE: I appreciate that. We actually
4 received some correspondence from that group. They made
5 some recommendations for these policies, so we will be sure
6 to provide you that. They've read it and they've come to
7 the Maui meetings pretty regularly, so we will make sure you
8 guys get that.

9 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman?

10 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

11 MR. TEVES: In all these kinds of innovations what
12 you have got to watch out for is density. If you look at a
13 lot of the areas, even Kahului, you have got a lot of areas
14 with two houses on one lot. And then you create other
15 problems. You start looking at how many people per square
16 mile, you start looking at parking, you start looking at
17 sewage. You have situations where these areas were not
18 developed for these many houses, and the sewage system
19 cannot handle two houses on each lot. So I mean if you are
20 going to do these kinds of things the infrastructure needs
21 to come first before you start doubling up the density in
22 some of these areas.

23 MS. WADE: That's an excellent point. We do
24 address that in G, and I think in physical infrastructure as
25 well.

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1 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Summers.

2 MR. SUMMERS: We had a similar comment on Lana'i
3 where they talked about prioritizing infrastructure
4 investments for affordable housing over luxury projects. So
5 for instance, if water was a binding constraint or roadway
6 infrastructure was a binding constraint, public policy
7 makers would consciously try to reserve capacity for
8 affordable projects ahead of luxury houses. That's
9 something the committee wants to consider. I don't know if
10 that was what you were getting at.

11 MR. TEVES: I think there's a couple of things
12 involved here. One, you can influence the market by cutting
13 off certain roads and avenues. One example is this ag
14 subdivision thing. You close off that hole and they've got
15 to go some other way. Pretty soon you narrow down the
16 options where they're forced to get into affordable housing.
17 The county can do this.

18 It's unfortunate that a lot of the things are
19 happening right now in the legislature, important ag lands,
20 rural designation, and a lot of these things that are going
21 to be bearing down on us where it's being redefined, at the
22 same time we're trying to plan right now, and we're kind of
23 behind the eight ball in some of these things. I think the
24 county, if they're innovative and do think out of the box,
25 can look at ways of slowing down gentlemen's estates and

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1 forcing affordable housing to happen, because that's going
2 to be the only show in town.

3 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

4 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would
5 like to consider really looking at this item B, 215, and I
6 don't like these words, and small scale housing as an
7 affordable option, because over on Maui they're just
8 squeezing. They say they need to get housing for our
9 workforce, but they're making everything small. They're
10 buying up ag land and they're saying, if you have got money
11 you can have a 10,000 square foot lot. If you don't have
12 money you go to a 4,500 square foot lot.

13 A perfect example was on Maui a guy bought 238
14 acres of ag land. He would have only been allowed 19 lots.
15 He ended up with 466 lots on that, using the State
16 Affordable Housing. 238 of them were 10,000 square foot
17 lots at the market price, and then 238 were 5,000 square
18 feet for the affordable.

19 So there's just a movement there, and the small
20 scale affordable, in the eyes of a lot of developers, is
21 just lesser quality materials and smaller everything. And I
22 don't think it needs to be that way, especially on Moloka'i.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I just thought of something
24 too. We started talking about lesser quality, and is there
25 any movement in the housing area in the county to move

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1 towards greener construction methods, more environmentally
2 aware construction methods, or making it to requiring solar?
3 I notice I think they had something before the legislature,
4 somebody introduced a bill to require solar water heating in
5 all new homes by 2008, or something like that. So is there
6 something that the county can do to leverage that type of
7 construction?

8 MS. WADE: Yes.

9 MR. TEVES: I just wanted to get back to this 215.
10 Smaller dwellings only work for smaller people, and they
11 don't work for big people, especially when you have to pile
12 them all in there. You're just adding to the social
13 problems that we're dealing with. This is not the solution
14 to affordable housing.

15 MS. WADE: I'd like to just explain a little bit
16 where it came from, because perhaps what we need to do is
17 reword. One of the major problems right now is lending
18 institutions. When you come to them and say, "I want to
19 build a house," they're pushing for more square footage,
20 that your house is much more valuable if you have more
21 square footage. Where oftentimes it's not necessarily the
22 case that people need a 4,000 square foot home, and then
23 they end up in a mortgage that they cannot afford. So
24 suddenly your affordable housing goes out the window, it's
25 no longer affordable.

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1 We've even seen some of our own staff who have
2 gotten into situations like that. So that's where the
3 lending institutions, defining new criteria for lending
4 institutions comes in. But I know that on Lana'i we were
5 talking to Castle & Cooke, the director of housing over
6 there, and he was saying that sometimes they have 750 square
7 foot cottages, those plantation cottages, and one family
8 lives happily in it, sometimes three families live happily
9 in it. They don't want to move out, they want to live like
10 that.

11 So there are alternatives. I think the point of
12 this was to say we shouldn't necessarily require X number of
13 square feet per person. Sometimes people have different
14 standards and would like to make different choices. But I
15 don't think we said it well, so perhaps there's another way
16 we should try to do that.

17 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I would also like to bring up
18 something about self-help housing, which seems to be working
19 fairly well in our community, as well as other communities.
20 So if we could encourage self-help housing programs, just a
21 statement to that effect. Mr. Vanderbilt.

22 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chair. As far as
23 standards, I would like to put in there to establish minimum
24 standards for lot sizes and dwelling size appropriate to
25 each item. I know on Maui they're doing all these really

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1 small things, and maybe that works there, but maybe on
2 Moloka'i it might be different. But they passed a housing
3 bill and it says what developers can sell various affordable
4 houses for, but it doesn't hold them to any standards. So a
5 three bedroom, two bath house could be 900 square feet, and
6 that guy can get as much under the new affordable bill as
7 somebody that made his 1,200 square feet.

8 The other thing would be establish a means that
9 better represents Maui County's workforce family's income,
10 other than the HUD median income. Because on Moloka'i, for
11 instance, our median income is \$41,000, on Maui it's
12 \$65,000, and in Hana it's \$57,000. But the workforce in
13 Hana doesn't make any more than our workforce, but they have
14 just a few. It's a small population and it's more wealthy,
15 and when wealthy people move in the median income moves up,
16 and that allows developers to get more for the houses, and
17 it has no relation to the actual income. So if we could
18 establish another means besides median income to determine
19 affordability.

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: I'd like to take a moment now.
21 We have somebody from the public who would like to give
22 testimony, so if they would step up to the microphone and
23 introduce themselves.

24 MR. WELLS: Everyone knows me, I have been on the
25 island thirty years, retired from Kalaupapa. I've been

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1 noticing the problem with the gap between the people who can
2 get Section 8 and people who don't fit in there. And
3 there's more and more people who are having to file for
4 separation so they can qualify and get Section 8, otherwise
5 the housing is out of this world. I mean how many people
6 can afford \$1,700 a month in rent? That's way off the mark.
7 Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Thank you, Mr. Wells.

9 MS. WADE: I would just like to clarify for a
10 second one of the things that DeGray said, because I think
11 the idea of establishing a minimum lot size and dwelling
12 unit size is directly counter to 215. So perhaps what we're
13 saying is just eliminate 215. I want to be sure that I'm
14 understanding this right. What I'm saying is I don't want
15 to put in policies that contradict each other in the same
16 section, because it will dilute the effectiveness of the
17 document.

18 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

19 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think if
20 you give most developers an opportunity they will go with
21 smaller, cheaper, to meet a requirement for affordable
22 housing. That's just the nature, bottom line. And so I
23 just don't know where this ohana cottage all of a sudden is
24 coming in in these small scale houses. I don't know why a
25 working family can't have a descent sized lot. I am not

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1 talking about 4,000 square feet, but 1,100 square foot,
2 three bedroom house, or something. 900 square foot. My
3 girlfriend lives in an 850 square foot house, and that's not
4 big enough for the both of us. After about five days there
5 she's tapping her finger and it's about time for me to move
6 on.

7 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: And she's a patient woman.

8 MR. MEDEIROS: Think of her.

9 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any other comments? Mr. Teves.

10 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I can understand the
11 rationale behind the ohana cottages. What happens is a lot
12 of times people have a hard time paying their mortgage
13 because they're on a fixed income, so they build another
14 little house behind there. And I think if you look at a lot
15 of -- I see a lot of Moloka'i boys go to Maui and work over
16 there, and the only way they can survive is actually going
17 together with two or three of them and renting a house so
18 that they don't use their money on house rental.

19 The problem is the value of land, that's what the
20 problem is, and we need to maybe look at that issue. I mean
21 you can say, oh, that's life and everything, but I think
22 laws can make a whole lot of difference, land use laws.
23 Taking away incentives for certain kinds of things. We have
24 talked a lot about this, especially in the agriculture area.
25 If you take away the profit from agriculture lands you turn

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1 the lands back to the original intent, which is a resource
2 instead of a commodity. Then you take it out of the market.

3 These are some of the things that we need to look
4 at, I think. Trying to solve the ohana problem, trying to
5 solve the housing problem with the high price of housing in
6 Maui, that's a tough one. All you are going to have is
7 everybody moving to Las Vegas.

8 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Other comments on this section?

9 Mr. Vanderbilt.

10 MR. VANDERBILT: Mr. Chairman, thank you. I guess
11 that's one of the things that when the Planning Commission
12 was working on this affordable housing bill, Moloka'i had a
13 lot of good suggestions that went in there. One of the
14 things we noticed was that you have to have a minimum 7,500
15 square foot lot to even build an ohana unit. So all the
16 workforce housing fee simple, they're getting it at 4,500 to
17 5,000, so they can't build an ohana unit. So that's one of
18 the reasons for having some minimum size lots, especially
19 when they're dealing with ag land where they should be able
20 to at least have the same size lot as the market lots.

21 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. If I may,
22 one of the issues that has been problematic for the county
23 is not having minimum specifications for the quality and
24 size of dwelling units within mandated affordable housing
25 projects. So I think that maybe what DeGray is getting at

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1 is not sort of defining or delineating what the
2 specifications for these units would be. Is that accurate?

3 MR. VANDERBILT: Yes, I think that's accurate. In
4 the Affordable Housing Bill it says that a developer has an
5 appeal process to the Council. So if there's some
6 overriding circumstances with the site or something where
7 they couldn't meet the minimum standards, there's a process
8 where they can get the Council to correct it if it's
9 justifiable, but they have to come and show the Council why
10 they have to make smaller lots or smaller dwelling units.

11 MS. WADE: One of the other uses that we were
12 thinking of is ohana cottages can be used really well for
13 kids who have gone away to school and want to be able to
14 come back but can't afford their own place, or the elderly,
15 the thought is the in-laws alternative, those kinds of
16 things. That perhaps we could word this even in a way too
17 that defines certain population segments that go totally
18 overlooked in the housing market that we have now. There
19 are segments of the population that aren't served well at
20 all by the housing stock we have today.

21 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Miss Davis.

22 MS. DAVIS: Just a quick comment. I have to go
23 look through this section to even sort out what I'm
24 thinking, but I know one of the problems that we've noticed
25 on the east end of the island is that the idea of ohana

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1 units is great for our elderly, for our kids that can't yet
2 afford their own place, but yet we've seen it abused in this
3 idea of turning it into accommodations, vacation rentals and
4 changing the complexion of an entire community.

5 We have a place out in Wailua on this island that
6 there is not a single-family left in an entire stretch of
7 that housing along the highway there. They're entirely
8 vacation rentals. So the idea is wonderful, and then it got
9 abused, and now we're stuck with something. It's
10 unfortunate, but it's more than unfortunate. I think we are
11 going to have to put a lot more thinking into it.

12 One of the things that I think is the beginning of
13 a solution is what Glenn was talking about, the difference
14 between looking at a certain resource as either a commodity
15 or a resource, and maybe there's something we need to look
16 at about the generations of people. And if you're second or
17 third or fourth generation maybe there should be an option
18 to do something with your land that is not an option for
19 someone who got here last week.

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Teves.

21 MR. TEVES: Mr. Chairman, I think the other thing
22 is, these two issues in one is probably too much for one. I
23 would probably separate it out and have ohana cottages and
24 smaller dwelling units. I think in my eyes they're
25 different. One is developing just smaller houses, like a

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1 whole subdivision of smaller houses, versus building on top
2 of existing subdivisions.

3 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Mr. Vanderbilt.

4 MR. VANDERBILT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. In this
5 Affordable Housing Bill that went through I saw a lot of the
6 testimony from the development community, and they were
7 pushing for ohana units to be counted as fulfilling their
8 requirement for so many affordable units. So they were
9 trying to figure out some way where they could build a house
10 and then they could put an ohana unit there, and that would
11 be the affordable, but that would be under the control of
12 somebody else. So that's what struck me when I saw that,
13 because I remember that clearly. They were, again, trying
14 to figure out a way to get around putting in a good number
15 of affordable units.

16 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I think we
17 can craft a policy to get at exactly that, this loophole
18 that is being worked as far as the provision of affordable
19 housing by pushing down the specifications for the type of
20 product that's provided. We will work on that for the next
21 meeting.

22 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Okay. Mr. Kimball.

23 MR. KIMBALL: You know, Eddie and I were just
24 talking about this. A lot of this has to do with
25 enforcement. In a lot of cases we have stuff on the books.

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1 And I remember serving on the Planning Commission a few
2 years ago, and we would be approving things with
3 stipulations on it, and the bottom line was nobody in the
4 county would jump in their cars and go drive out and see if
5 the guy on the ag lot is actually farming, or if the guy is
6 supposed to have ohana housing and not renting it out and
7 stuff, and nobody enforces it. So if there's someplace
8 within our county guidelines where we can enforce some of
9 the existing policies on the books already or the laws with
10 regards to permits for whatever reason, I think maybe we can
11 go a long way in trying to curb some of the problems we're
12 facing.

13 I remember DeGray calling a meeting of our Kanoa
14 Beach (phonetic) lot guys remember a long time ago. He told
15 us in our covenants we had to watch out because what some of
16 the people are going to do was build vacation rentals. Sure
17 enough, Kanoa Beach lots, all the way down is dotted with a
18 house with a so-called maid's quarters or whatever it might
19 be, and all it is is vacation homes.

20 There's one entrepreneurial guy who ended up with
21 four rental houses, he ended up with four separate rental
22 units. And we're going, "Where is the enforcement on that?"
23 There's only so much a building inspector can do. The guys,
24 they figure out ways to get around it through the plumbing
25 and all that kind of stuff. So I don't know if there's some

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1 way we can get more teeth enforcement into what we're
2 already currently doing on a county level.

3 MS. WADE: We will add a policy on enforcement.

4 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Sad to say, I think we're
5 running up against a deadline for the Maui people to leave.
6 I know as much as we've enjoyed this, it's time to get to a
7 few items on the agenda that we must do for next time.

8 Our meeting date is March 1st. Mr. Summers, can
9 you give us a short rendition of what the agenda will be for
10 the next meeting?

11 MR. SUMMERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of
12 the committee. We'd like to work our way through the
13 remaining items on this worksheet. We'd like to add the
14 cultural strategy which is on -- hold on just a minute.
15 That's E, and that is on page 6 of the matrix. We'd like to
16 add, "Preserve local cultures and traditions" and try to
17 work through those at the next meeting, in addition to the
18 ones we didn't complete tonight, and maybe add another, like
19 "improving education."

20 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Okay, thank you. I will now
21 entertain a motion for adjournment. Mr. Teves.

22 MR. TEVES: So moved.

23 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Is there a second?

24 MR. ARAKAKI: I'll second the motion.

25 CHAIRMAN BENNETT: Any discussion? If not, all

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1 those in favor raise your hand.

2 (A show of hands)

3 Thank you each and every one of you for attending

4 tonight. It's good to see some new old faces out here. So

5 thanks for coming and we appreciate you being here.

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7 (The proceedings were concluded at 8:45 p.m.)

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