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Dear Commissioners,

At the Leeward Planning Commission meeting held last month I heard that the Kona Community Development Action Committee had submitted their recommendations to you.

Nearly 20 years ago when that Committee was formed, many community members, including myself, got involved and were so excited for Kona's future development plans. In the few meetings that I attended back then, terms such as "transit oriented development", "walkable", "bicycle friendly", "mixed use", "sustainable development" were all used to promote the "Smart Growth" concept. That was 20 years ago. Since that time, we have more bike lanes but walkability is sketchy, mixed use is not happening, and sustainable development is still 90% dependent on imported goods. And to top that off, we now have more transplants moving into the non urban areas, hiking up the cost of homes, driving EVs all over the place and living an unsustainable westernized lifestyle. Except for a few of us, no one is hanging out their laundry to dry in our hot Kona sun anymore.

But where this General Plan really fails us in its refusal to address all the many horrific fires and other supposed "natural disasters" that have been happening on the US continent, globally and even here on Maui, that have nothing to do with climate change and more to do with curbing the population and forcing everyone into a "Smart" 15 minute City lifestyle where you are tracked, traced and heavily surveilled just like the urban centers in Communist China.

We know this to be true about the outcome of these fires, because similar outcomes are planned for other fire-destroyed communities including Los Angeles, California where Gov Newsom speaks of the Olympics in 2028 and even here in Hawaii where Gov Green himself had already designated Maui and Lahaina specifically to become a Smart City example BEFORE August 08, 2023 when Lahaina was burnt to white ash and way more than 102 lives were lost.

This kind of Smart City set up is not part of our local culture and DOES NOT belong here.

If this is where Hawaii County is headed for then you had better fully disclose those plans in this document and get the consent from the public especially the 94% or the 195,000 Hawaii County residents that you failed to reach.

Mahalo,
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