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Subject: General Plan: Question About Your Comments After Testimonies
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Aloha Commissioners,

I heard that you changed "Stakeholders" to "Interested Parties". That was not the issue.

Even though the word "Stakeholder" should be changed, the issue is the definition. It reads as if anyone in the entire world can influence the Big Island GP. That is the problem we have. Change the definition along with the name.

It would be better to change it to "Local Communities". The definition could be: All local communities including homeowners, farmers, Big Island investors, renters, business owners.

I sent you an email about this earlier with the complete definition. I'd be very grateful if you used that.

Local Communities are who should have the most influence on our GP, not just anyone.

Agenda 21 is **not in the plan**. We were talking about the fact that this GP 2045 is **modeled** like the UN Agenda 21 plan. This is not good.

You will understand more if you watch Rosa Koire, who went around the nation **speaking to County Councils**. She was a 30 year director of transportation for the State of California and an expert witness on Eminent Domain. <https://youtu.be/o8-bcAwc28s?si=inEsFE-ZYs2k86hk>

The video above will let you know **why we are all very concerned** about this plan. **It would be greatly appreciated if you watched it. Even if it's only 10 minutes.**

Page 32: Environmental Protection should be changed to **Environmental Stewardship**. Protection implies more rules and regulations and "incentives" i.e. higher taxes if people don't comply. Not okay.

We need to grow more food and be stewards of the land so Big Island is more self-sufficient and not reduce the use of available land to grow more food on.

Here is an amazing Ag Village plan that should absolutely be in the plan:

Ag Village to add to the General Plan:

Papaikou Ag Village Objectives:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_2cb1cc6d604f4cdd971ad40831c745bc.pdf

Papaikou Site

Plan: https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_5e4cdb02efeb46a5ae949a3579aff00d.pdf

Papaikou Development:

https://www.standtogetherhawaii.com/_files/ugd/86fc0c_c2af52c8b3c645b1a6868a724eee8304.pdf

Lastly, page 32 "Social & Cultural Equity" should change to "Thriving Communities". The word "Equity" opens the door to more rules and regulations. It means fairness. Who gets to decide what is fair?

I think we've all had enough of the models of "fairness" in the world that are separating people.

Make it "Thriving Communities" and instead of focusing on what is fair, let's focus on how our communities can thrive together.

I really appreciate you all making an effort to understand what we are talking about.

This plan will set up the future of our island. We **must get it right** for future generations to thrive and be happy.

Mahalo for your amazing diligence,
Michelle Melendez-Freedom Activist
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On Sun, Nov 24, 2024 at 1:08 PM Michelle Melendez <michelle@blossominnerwellness.com> wrote:
Aloha Commissioners,

Hawaii House Minority Leader Representative Diamond Garcia said, "The Homeland Commission Act was passed in 1920 by Republican Congressman Prince Kuhio, and put into law in 1921. It was set to have 208,000 acres of Hawaii land for native Hawaiians."

Why does the State want to take more land from the people instead of honouring this law and give land back to Hawaiian natives?

This plan will not support Big Island or her people.

You do not have to go through the motions and move it forward. There are so many things wrong with it. You can stop it.

Mahalo,
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On Sat, Nov 23, 2024 at 4:10 PM Michelle Melendez <michelle@blossominnerwellness.com> wrote:
Aloha Commissioners,

Here is the information you need to know before recommending electric cars come to the Big Island.

<https://youtu.be/K5vDWhMHTwE?si=dZdYkT-zdV-QCMap>

It will explain What really happens when an electric car catches on fire? And does your fire department know how to put these raging infernos out?

Please do not bring these cars to the island. It will be like the mongoose, fire ants, and more!

Mahalo,

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On Sat, Nov 23, 2024 at 8:50 AM Michelle Melendez <michelle@blossominnerwellness.com> wrote:

Aloha Commissioners,

If this is a plan locals have supported and they're being contacted with each new draft, as Mr. Kern stated yesterday, why hasn't one person shown up?

Mr. Kern wasn't sworn in and asked to raise his right hand to swear to tell the truth. I think he should be.

Concerns about the plan:

- **"Reduced Miles Traveled"** should be changed to "Travel Alternatives". It's against the Constitution to deprive people of their right to travel. That language must be removed from the plan or you, and all those who created this plan are in violation of your oath of office. (No disrespect intended. That is simply the truth.)
- **Electric Vehicles (EV):** They want to put charging stations around Big Island for EV which will have more impact on the already impacted grid. How this is being considered disturbs me greatly. There are already power-shortages on the island. This would hinder it even more.

Plus, as I've stated in my previous email, EV's are dangerous. Here is a quote from a firefighter. *"The problem with EVs is that the lithium-ion batteries can actually propagate a fire. In fact, they can actually encourage a fire. If a fire has already started and you have lithium-ion batteries, they can ignite a lot more vigorously compared to any other cars,"* said Captain Rahul Khanna, the Global Head of Marine Consulting at Allianz; he has 26 years' experience in the shipping and maritime industry and 14 years in various ranks on merchant ships. . Source: "Is It Safe To Ship Thousands Of Electric Cars On Big Ships?" by Mark Vaughn, May 10, 2022. <https://www.autoweek.com/news/industry-news/a39951439/is-it-safe-to-ship-thousands-of-electric-cars-on-big-ships/>

How will we remove these dangerous cars once they are retired?

What about the **cost to dispose of EV batteries** once they are no longer in use?

These batteries **cannot simply be thrown away. They are toxic to the environment and people.** Hawaii is an island. So will you ship these batteries off island or store them and their toxic waste on the island? **They should not be allowed here.**

What happens if the grid goes down? How will people charge their EV?

Off Grid Living: This plan wants to work with the DOH around water catchment. The last thing locals want are more regulations and fines for off grid living. Not one person has died from unhealthy water catchment. This should be removed from the plan. Locals know how to take care of themselves. That is not the government's job. Please help stop government overreach.

- **Carbon:** There is a section on the plan about reducing carbon. This should be removed. It is government overreach and will increase regulations and reduce freedom for people under a false premise. The General Plan manager stated that they did research with the Federal Government, not actual weather experts and scientists. Gregg Braden is a geologist, five-time New York Times best-selling author, scientist, international educator, and renowned as a pioneer in the emerging paradigm based in science, social policy, and human potential, had this to say about the dangers of carbon on the planet: *"The idea that carbon dioxide is a poison is a false narrative to begin with. We are carbon-based beings. By demonizing carbon dioxide and carbon life, we're actually demonizing ourselves."* Source: "Gregg Braden - Why 'THE POWERS THAT BE' are So Desperate to Reduce Carbon Dioxide on OUR Planet?" by Gregg Braden Official, January 11, 2023. <https://youtu.be/7vJ-Qefos8A?si=BviOKcdznXx6tgSQ>

Braden also stated in the same interview: *"If you could look at the ice cores in Antarctica and Greenland, you would see that the temperature of the Earth increases or decreases around 800 years before the change in carbon dioxide. That means carbon dioxide does not drive the change; it is the response to the temperature change. 'We're being led to believe that carbon levels of CO₂ have never been higher; that the Earth is going to be destroyed if they are higher; and that CO₂ is the driving temperature, both of which are not true.'"*

- **Climate Change:** This entire section should be removed. It is absolute government overreach again on a false premise. An article at Britannica.com written by Thor Arthur Hansen, Professor of Invertebrate Paleontology, Paleocology, and Evolution at Western Washington University, U.S., and Carl Fred Koch, Professor of Geological Sciences at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia. It was fact-checked by The Editors of Encyclopaedia Britannica and last updated on Feb 7, 2024. The article said that sea level was higher primarily because the water in the **ocean basins** was displaced by the enlargement of mid-oceanic ridges. It was not due to carbon! It was due to the Earth's mantle. Source: "Cretaceous Period," by Carl Fre Koch, Thor Arthur Hansen, <https://www.britannica.com/science/Cretaceous-Period>

If you need more experts proving what they are saying in the plan is false, let me know. It is important to have experts give their opinion and not those invested in renewable energy.

- **Rezoning:** The plan will not directly rezone areas but it opens the door to rezoning in many many areas. This will change people's way of life and have a huge impact on the future of our keiki. What local would want that?

This plan should be stopped immediately. It is not the plan that 4K locals worked on.

No local would want...

- Their property value to be reduced
- To turn much of the coastland to conservation and have that impact people's property value and right to enjoy the land
- To have more regulations, policies and fines
- To have "incentives" ie. tax increases, to force people to do what the government wants

There are no sections in the plan for:

- Supporting people to grow more food.
- The needed CDP for Hilo
- More roads to evacuate from South Kona, Waikoloa, and Puna
- No mention of the fracking that is going on here
- Supporting and enhancing the systems that are already here

This plan does not support this island. It is a massive government overreach.

Mahalo for your time. My passion is not meant to be disrespectful. I know you are volunteers and I more than appreciate what you're doing. Standing up and saying this is a no go, won't be easy. For the future of this island and the keiki, I hope you're brave enough to do it.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

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