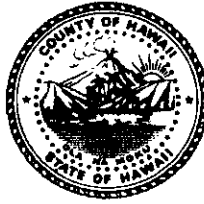


Harry Kim
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July 12, 2007

Pete Hoffmann, Chairman
And Members of the County Council
County of Hawaii
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Dear Chairman Hoffmann and Council Members:

Re: Removal of Koki'o at Manuka State Park from List of Exceptional Trees
TMK: 8-1-009:001, Council District 7 (South-Kona)

At the May 18, 2006 Arborist Advisory Committee meeting, committee member Ms. Sammi Stanbro reported that the Koki'o, No. 3 on the list of Exceptional Trees, was termite infested around its base. At the April 19, 2007 committee meeting, Ms. Stanbro reported that the tree had been cut down.

By letter dated July 3, 2007, Mr. Glenn Y. Taguchi, Hawaii Parks District Superintendent, stated that the tree was removed. Therefore, he is requesting that this tree be removed from the list of Exceptional Trees.

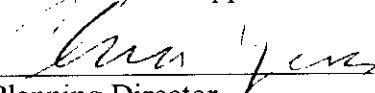
The Arborist Advisory Committee requests that the August 14, 2007 Council committee hearing be waived and this bill be set on the agenda for the County Council meeting in Kona on August 15, 2007.

Please feel free to contact me at 965-8839, or Esther Imamura at the Planning Department at 961-8288, extension 257, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

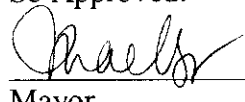
Very truly yours,

for 
Leonard Bisel
Chairman, Arborist Advisory Committee

Recommended Approval:


Planning Director

So Approved:


Mayor

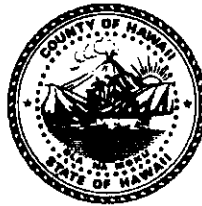
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July 16, 2007

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Hawai'i County Council
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RE: Communication No. 542, Bill 136: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Article 10, of the Hawai'i County Code, As Amended, Relating to Exceptional Trees

Pursuant to Section 2(g) of Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council of the County of Hawai'i, this written request is submitted with my approval that the above-referenced matter be waived from the Committee on Planning to the full Council for immediate action. In reviewing this matter, timely approval is crucial. It is therefore advantageous that approval is granted and the matter placed onto the next Council agenda for review. However, in the event this request is denied, for whatever reason, I understand the matter shall be referred to the Committee on Planning for placement on its future agenda.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "K. Angel Pilago", followed by a horizontal line.

K. Angel Pilago, Chair
Committee on Planning

Approved/Date/Waive to Council:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Pete Hoffmann", followed by a horizontal line.

Pete Hoffmann, Chair
Hawai'i County Council

Disapproved/Date/Refer to FC:

Pete Hoffmann, Chair
Hawai'i County Council

KAP/md