

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
COUNTY OF HAWAII

Please intake to Bethany.

Dear Mr. Yee:

There are many reasons I support this but here are a few:

1. The Ka'u District is very limited in amenities for travelers and our residents. We lack some of the basic amenities other districts on our island take for granted. Do you know how many hotels we have in our District compared to other Districts.....NONE!
2. It is a "smart area" to allow for MDU rather than the protected Coastal areas or Lava Zone 2 areas (which Ka'u District comprises quite a bit of).
3. We need jobs in our community and not just agricultural jobs. Many believe that ag jobs are plentiful and the cure for all in our area, but we need a diversified job market. We have many residents struggling to support their children. I just spoke to a gal who works at the local service station today and she has a daughter playing volleyball and a son playing football. We have limited jobs in our area so our residents have to catch an early bus (4:00am to Kona to work in resorts there then come home late in the evening 8:00pm). Imagine how hard that must be for those families, not to mention the worker.

Our district needs some reasonable and smart growth and Discovery Harbour area is the perfect area for this.

Please change the recommended land use zoning from LDU to MDU (Medium Density Urban) in the Hawaii General Plan - TMK (3) 9-4-001:020 located in Discovery Harbour.
