

HĀMĀKUA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN ACTION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 13 2024
FINAL Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Meyer called the Hāmākua Community Development Plan (HCDP) Action Committee (AC) to order at 5:05pm. Quorum was established at this time. This meeting was held in-person at the Honokaʻa Sports Complex and online via ZOOM.

The YouTube video of this meeting can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oCHo0TxDnkw>

ROLL CALL

AC Members Present: Richard Bidleman, Tawn Keeney, Chair David Meyer

AC Members Present via ZOOM: Vice Chair Mahealani Maikui, Brad Kurokawa, and Robert Nishimoto

County Staff: Planners – Maryam Palma and Kawelo Kalili

County Officials: Council Member, Heather Kimball

25 members of the of the public attended the meeting (10 in person and 15 via ZOOM)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Heather Kimball shared an update [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 2:09:30]

Deputy Corporation Counsel Jean Campbell is assigned to the Hāmākua CDP AC.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Committee Member Keeney motioned to approve the February 12, 2024 minutes with amendments. Motion seconded by Committee Member Bidleman. Motion passed unanimously [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 7:09]

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Steve Holmes Public Testimony [SEE YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 9:45]

Meizhu Lui Public Testimony [SEE YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 2:25:41]

BUSINESS:

1. Integrated Wastewater Management Plan Presentation: [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 19:30]

Director of DEM Ramzi Mansour gave a presentation on Cesspool conversion. All Cesspools in County of Hawaii need to be converted by 2050.

Director Mansour gave three options of conversion:

Option #1 Connect to the County’s sewer system (Centralized system)

Option #2 Connect to a new or existing decentralized or cluster WWTP.

Option #3 Convert to a DOH-Approved onsite system (Septic system)

37 Keoni Payton Public Testimony [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:13:44]

38 Jaerick Medeiros Public Testimony [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:20:53]

39 Kurt Sullivan Public Testimony [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:27:14]

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41 **2. Overview of CDP Action Committee Purpose and Hāmākua CDP Implementation**
42 **Priorities for 2024: [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:39:47]**

43 Planner Maryam Palma gave a refresher presentation on CDP AC roles, Sunshine Law,
44 and examples of possible CDP priorities for 2024.

45 **PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP**
46 **2:28:04]**

- 47 1. Update from Planning Department regarding sending planning applications reports to the
48 Committee Members.
49 2. Look into possible resources to help support Waipi‘o Wahi Pana

50 **ADJOURNMENT:**

51 *Committee Member Bidleman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Committee*
52 *Member Keeney. Motion passed with unanimous aye vote. The meeting was adjourned at*
53 *7:40p.m.*

54 These minutes and all related documents are available in the Planning Department’s Hāmākua
55 Community Development Plan Action Committee folder via [the County of Hawai‘i Public](#)
56 [Documents Repository](#). These documents may also be requested from the Planning Department
57 by calling (808) 961-8288 or emailing cdp@hawaiiicounty.gov.