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I would like to testify at the upcoming meeting to discuss the idea of creating a Community Resource Center in Pahoia. Please see attachment for an architectural rendering of this proposed space and a prospectus for such a center in Pahoia. I could testify either in person or via ZOOM. What is your preference?
Mahalo,
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Puna Ola: Community Resource Center Prospectus

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Introduction: We are thrilled to introduce a visionary concept to create a multipurpose community space for the old Malama Market that will serve as a dynamic center for collaboration, creativity, and resilience. This innovative space aims to address the diverse needs and aspirations of Puna, providing shared opportunities for creative expression, skill development, entrepreneurship, and building a crisis center to deal with natural catastrophes. By combining shared working spaces, a makery, workshops, theatrical performances, artisan goods sales, an entrepreneur hub, a commercial kitchen, a market for locally grown produce, and a resilience hub, this multipurpose space will become the heart of community engagement and growth.

Shared Working Space: Puna Ola will feature a modern working area, designed to accommodate individuals, startups, and businesses of all sizes. With transformable workstations, reliable high-speed internet, meeting rooms, and essential amenities, this space will foster collaboration, networking, and productivity. It will be a place where professionals can connect, exchange ideas, and create a thriving ecosystem of innovation.

Makery: This community space will establish a cutting-edge makery, equipped with state-of-the-art tools and resources for makers, artists, and craftsmen. This creative haven will

provide opportunities for individuals to explore various artistic disciplines, from woodworking and metalworking to textile design and digital fabrication. Through workshops, open studios, and shared resources, the makery will inspire creativity, skill development, and artistic expression.

Workshops: The multiuse space will offer a wide range of workshops and trainings to cater to the diverse interests and needs of our community. These workshops will cover areas such as entrepreneurship, technology, art, wellness, sustainable practices, and more. By providing accessible and enriching learning experiences, we aim to empower individuals, foster personal growth, and cultivate a culture of lifelong learning.

Theatrical Performances: Our space will boast a dedicated area for theatrical performances, nurturing the performing arts and providing a platform for local talent. With a state-of-the-art stage, advanced lighting and sound systems, and comfortable seating, this space will bring live entertainment to Puna. From plays and musicals to dance performances and spoken word events, the theater will foster creativity, cultural appreciation, and community engagement. There will also be a live recording studio.

Artisan Goods Marketplace: The multiuse space will house a regular marketplace where local artisans can showcase and sell their unique, handcrafted goods. From jewelry and ceramics to artwork and textiles, the marketplace will celebrate the skill and creativity of Puna. By supporting local artisans, we aim to promote sustainable practices, foster economic growth, and encourage a sense of pride in our local craftsman.

Entrepreneur Hub: This community space will serve as a dedicated hub for entrepreneurs, offering resources, mentorship, and networking opportunities to help turn ideas into successful ventures. Through incubation programs, access to funding sources, and a supportive community, we will empower aspiring entrepreneurs and drive innovation and economic development.

Market for locally grown produce: To promote sustainable living and support local farmers, the multiuse space will host a regular market for locally grown produce. This market will be a celebration of fresh, healthy, and locally sourced food, providing an avenue for farmers to connect directly with the community. We will create a commercial kitchen that can be used to produce value-added products appealing to both the local community and those visiting the island. By promoting local agriculture, we aim to strengthen the bond between producers and consumers, fostering a sense of environmental responsibility and health-consciousness.

Resilience Hub: In times of crisis, our space will transform into a resilience hub, providing a safe and prepared environment for the community. It will serve as a resource center, offering training on emergency preparedness, disaster response, and community resilience building. Puna Ola will become a beacon of strength, providing support and coordination during challenging times.

Conclusion: The community multipurpose space will be a thriving epicenter that brings people together, nurtures creativity, fosters entrepreneurship, and builds resilience. Join us in creating a transformative space where collaboration, creativity, entrepreneurship, and resilience thrive. Together, let's build a community hub that enhances the lives of all who engage with it!

[Letter of support from Ashley Kierkiewicz, County Council Representative, Dist. 4.](#)

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