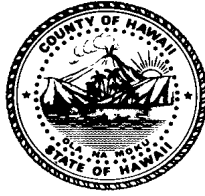


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**Subject: Hāmākua Community Development Plan Action Committee Letter  
Regarding Proposed Amendment to the Planning Department's  
Public Notice Procedures**

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Aloha Director Darrow:

The Hāmākua Community Development Plan (CDP) Action Committee (AC) met on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at the Kula'imano Community Center. Included on the agenda was a discussion regarding the Planning Department's public notice procedures. The AC voted unanimously to submit the following proposed amendments to Hawai'i County Code (HCC) Chapter's 23 and 25 to the Planning Department for consideration:

#### **Existing HCC Section 25-2-3(g):**

The director shall publish, on a semi-monthly basis, a list of all applications accepted under this section in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the County. Such list shall include the name of the property owner, tax map key number(s) of the property, the land area, and street address, if available.

#### **Proposed Amendment to HCC Section 25-2-3:**

The director shall publish, on a semi-monthly basis, a list of all applications accepted under this section in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the County and shall include a link or reference to where the list may be accessed online. The list shall include the name of the property owner, tax map key number(s) of the property, the land area, and street address, if available. Such list shall be posted on an official county website and the director shall maintain a district specific email listserv to allow interested individuals or organizations to receive notices.

**Existing HCC Section 23-58.2:**

The director shall publish, on a semi-monthly basis, a list of all applications accepted under this section in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the County. The list shall include the name of the property owner, the tax map key number(s) of the property, the land area, the number of lots proposed, and any other information deemed useful by the director.

**Proposed Amendment to HCC Section 23-58.2:**

The director shall publish, on a semi-monthly basis, a list of all applications accepted under this section in at least two newspapers of general circulation in the County and shall include a link or reference to where the list may be accessed online. The list shall include the name of the property owner, tax map key number(s) of the property, the land area, the number of lots proposed, and any other information deemed useful by the director. Such list shall be posted on an official county website and the director shall maintain a district specific email listserv to allow interested individuals or organizations to receive notices.

During the meeting, Councilmember Heather Kimball expressed her support for this matter. In addition, Councilmember Kimball has offered to share the draft amendments with the Legislative Research Branch for further review.

Mahalo for your attention to this matter and for your continued support of the Hāmākua CDP Action Committee.

Sincerely,



Brad Kurokawa, Chair  
Hāmākua Community Development Plan Action Committee

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