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April,

It is true that Ocean View is a population center and an affordable location. However, I believe you will agree that Ocean View was terrible planning. The developer was interested in delivering affordable product and making a profit; now the tax payers will bear the cost of what should have been done and was not.

I am not sure that it is an enlightened course to encourage greater population density there because there are no employment opportunities in the vicinity. As energy resources become scarcer in the future, it may be more advisable to encourage population growth closer to areas of employment. Most working folks who live in Ocean View drive North to work.

Of immediate present concern is traffic coming from Kau and South Kona into Kailua and North. Many who live in Ocean View commute in this direction. Shortly we will have the completion of the Mamalahoa bypass which will expedite flow as far as Keauhou, and **then cause the mother of all traffic jams at the top of Kam III Road as the bypass traffic comes back into the Hawaii Belt Road bottleneck!** This traffic snarl runs all the way to the recently improved Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway.

I was told by Billy Paris that a mid-level road from the Keauhou shopping center into town has been on the books since the 1950's. In the 90's the Alii Parkway was fully designed and Federally funded only to be stopped by a burial. Either the Alii Parkway needs to be realigned and built (hopefully in its original 4 lanes) or the Belt Road needs to be widened, from Kam III into town. **This roadway issue needs to be addressed as a priority before any more population density is encouraged anywhere South of Kailua, including Ocean View.**

Kind regards,

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