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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING
6th Session**

DATE: March 8, 2007 (Thursday)
PLACE: Councilroom
Ben Franklin Building
333 Kilauea Avenue, 2nd Floor
Hilo, Hawai'i
TIME: 1:30 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON COMM. 203

REFERRAL

Comm. 203: **NOMINATION OF KIM TAVARES OF COUNCIL DISTRICT 6 TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I BOARD OF APPEALS**
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated February 15, 2007, requesting the confirmation of the above appointment. Ms. Tavares is a 31-year resident of Hawai'i and is currently employed by the Fern Forest Community Association as a bookkeeper. Not affiliated with any political party, if confirmed, her term will expire on December 31, 2011.
Recommends the appointment of Kim Tavares to the County of Hawai'i Board of Appeals.
Vote:
For: Committee Members Ford, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Yagong, Yoshimoto and Chair Pilago
Opposed: None.
Absent: Committee Members Higa and Ikeda

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

REFERRALS

- Comm. 199: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 25-8-30 (NAALEHU ZONE MAP),
(Bill 62) ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 25 (ZONING CODE) OF THE HAWAI'I COUNTY CODE 1983
(2005 EDITION), BY CHANGING THE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION FROM SINGLE
FAMILY RESIDENTIAL - 7,500 SQUARE FEET (RS-7.5) TO VILLAGE
COMMERCIAL - 7,500 SQUARE FEET (CV - 7.5) AT POUPOUWELA AND KOWALA,
KA'U, HAWAI'I, COVERED BY TAX MAP KEY 0-5-024:008
(Applicant: Big Island Ventures, LLC) (Area: 17,382 square feet)
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated February 16, 2007, transmitting the above bill and the
Planning Commission's letter and enclosures.
Postponed to the next Planning Committee meeting set for March 20, 2007.
Vote:
**For: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Yagong,
Yoshimoto and Chair Pilago.**
Opposed: None.
Absent: Committee Member Ikeda.
- Comm. 211: STATUS REPORT ON KONA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN
From Planning Committee Chair Angel Pilago, dated February 23, 2007, requesting time for
Planning Director Chris Yuen to provide the above report.
Closed File
Vote:
**For: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Yagong,
Yoshimoto and Chair Pilago.**
Opposed: None.
Absent: Committee Member Ikeda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Comm. 155: From Planning Commission Chair William Graham, dated February 1, 2007, transmitting the
Planning Commission's recommendations on Bill 326 for the Council's favorable
recommendation. The Planning Director agrees that a new University District is warranted.
The Planning Commission concurs with the Planning Director and his recommended
changes to the bill which includes the addition of other uses (student health clinics,
university credit union, post office, fraternity and sorority houses and student and employee
apartments and houses); specifies an overall height limit of 60 feet, regardless of location; a
minimum building site area of 10 acres, except that the minimum lot size of a leased lot may
be 7,500 square feet; minimum yards, front and rear - 20 feet and sides - 10 feet. He also
recommends regulations to include that a maximum of 20 percent of a University District's
land area may be in commercial use; and the Planning Director is authorized to vary parking
requirements for on-campus housing offices and pedestrian-oriented commercial uses.
Closed File
Vote:
**For: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Yagong,
Yoshimoto and Chair Pilago.**
Opposed: None.
Absent: Committee Member Ikeda

Comm. 1030: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25 (ZONING CODE) OF THE HAWAI‘I COUNTY CODE 1983 (2005 EDITION, AS AMENDED), RELATING TO A UNIVERSITY DISTRICT (adds a new definition of "University" to §25-1-5 and adds a new division entitled "UNV, University District," to Article 7 "Special District Regulations")
 (Bill 326)
 (2004-2006)

From Council Chair Stacy Higa, dated August 20, 2006, transmitting the above bill. Present provisions for zoning limit the ability for universities and colleges to provide a complete and conducive environment and sense of community on campus. The establishment of a "University" special district will provide greater flexibility in establishing a mix of uses which are intended to enhance the campus environment of a university or college.

Approved: HSEDC-5 (September 6, 2006)
 Council committed
 to Planning Commission: September 20, 2006

Postponed to the Planning Committee meeting set for April 17, 2007.

Vote:

For: Committee Members Ford, Higa, Hoffmann, Jacobson, Naeole, Yagong, Yoshimoto and Chair Pilago.

Opposed: None.

Absent: Committee Member Ikeda.

ADJOURNMENT

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