From: Laura Chong

To: DLNR.BLNR.Testimony; DLNR.BLNR.Testimony

Cc: Martin, Candace M

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Item D-5, May 12, 2023 BLNR Meeting

Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2023 6:50:35 PM

Attachments:

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2022-3-March Appraisal pmt. receipt..pdf Wes Thomas Ass. Survey paid invoice \$2,415.pdf

Attached please find advance written testimony letter dated May 10, 2023 along with 4 other attachments to be distributed to Board Members for their review prior to the May 12, 2023 scheduled meeting.

I plan to attend in person and provide testimony during the meeting as well and please consider this as my request to attend:

Laura Chong 808-225-2069

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Agenda Item: D-5

Laura P. Chong

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PAID INVOICE

-Land Surveyors-

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> Locations LLC Laura P. Chong





Invoice #:

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Date: 10/25/2021

Job #	

Street Address

Likana Lane

Description

Map and Metes and Bounds Description for Easement "A-1" for access purposes affecting Road Reserve at Lanihau 2nd, North Kona, Hawaii

TMK: 7-5-006: 034 (3rd Division)

A Discount of \$48.00 was applied to the invoice for the advance payment in full.

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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES Land Division Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

May 12, 2023

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

Rescind Prior Board Action of October 8, 2021, Item D-7, Grant of Term, Non-Exclusive Quitclaim Easement to Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln, for Access and Utility Purposes, Lanihau 2nd, North Kona Hawaii, TMK: (3) 7-5-006:034 (por.);

Reimburse Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln, for Easement Consideration, Document Fee and Map Fee Previously Paid to the Department;

Quitclaim of State's Interests, if Any, in Remnant Road Reserve to the County of Hawaii, North Kona, Hawaii, TMK: (3) 7-5-006:034 (por.)

APPLICANTS:

Applicants Under the Action of October 8, 2021, Item D-7 (to be Rescinded):

Lenore Lincoln LLC, a Hawaii corporation, Tenants in Common (33% interest);

Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Tenants in Common (33% interest); and

Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Tenants in Common; Patricia L. Rickard, married, Tenants in Common; and Jon K. Lincoln, married, Tenants in Common (34% interest).

Quitclaim to County of Hawaii

The foregoing persons are referred to collectively hereafter as "Parcel 15 Owners."

Applicant Under Current Request for Quitclaim of Remnant Road Reserve:

County of Hawaii ("County").

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-52, -95, 264-1 and -2, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Lanihau 2nd situated at Kailua Village, North Kona, Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:034, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit 1.

AREA:

2,634 square feet, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban

County of Hawaii CZO: V-.75 Resort-Hotel

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Formerly encumbered by Revocable Permit No. S-7580, Bougainvillea Plaza Limited Partnership, Permittee, for parking with loading/unloading zone purposes. The permit was not renewed for 2023.

CONSIDERATION:

Gratis. This is a quitclaim conveyance of a remnant road reserve to the County of Hawaii. It is the Department's position that the road reserve is already owned by the County and the subject quitclaim conveyance is only intended to address a

legal access issue the Parcel 15 Owners are experiencing with respect to the private property designated as Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:015.

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) § 11-200.1-16 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources reviewed and concurred on by the Environmental Council on November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1 that states, "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing," and Item 37 that states, "Transfer of title to land." The proposed quitclaim conveyance of the remnant road reserve to the County is a de minimis action that will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and should be declared exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment and the requirements of § 11-200.1-17, HAR.

REMARKS:

Background:

The Parcel 15 Owners are in escrow on the sale of their hotel located on their private parcel identified as Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:015 (Parcel 15), which is adjacent to the subject remnant road reserve. A preliminary title report indicated that Parcel 15 was landlocked due to the State's ownership of a "road reserve" that lay between Parcel 15 and a county roadway called Likana Lane.

The County Department of Public Works denied ownership of the road reserve stating it was not in its inventory, however, wanted the road reserve to stay in government control in case future road widening necessitated use of the subject parcel.

Land Division's position is that pursuant to Sections 171-2(3) and 264-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) has no jurisdiction over land used as roads, streets or highways. However, to avoid an impasse over the Parcel 15 Owners' access issue, staff recommended the issuance of a quitclaim easement for access and utility purposes across the subject parcel, which the Board approved at its meeting of October 8, 2021, under agenda Item D-7. See attached Exhibit 2 for the subject submittal.

The disposition was surveyed, appraised and paid for by Lenore Lincoln LLC (one of the Parcel 15 Owners). However, Land Division was not able to proceed

with the documentation of a quitclaim easement due to legal questions such a disposition raised. Land Division then asked the Department of Accounting and General Services, Survey Division, and Land Division's abstractors to determine the ownership of the road reserve.

There was a determination from 1961 that the subject parcel was reserved by the County for future road widening by recommendation of the County's Chief Engineer.

After discussing a quitclaim easement with the Department of the Attorney General, we determined that the State could instead quitclaim its interest (if any) to the County, since both the State and County agree that the parcel was reserved for the County for widening of a County road.

Accordingly, at the Board meeting of October 28, 2022, agenda Item D-7, staff recommended the rescission of the grant of quitclaim easement that the Board had authorized at its meeting of October 8, 2021, Item D-7, and the reimbursement to Applicants of the consideration paid for the easement (\$10,800.00), document fee (\$30) and survey map fees (\$25) totaling \$10,855. However, a representative of the Parcel 15 Owners, Laura Chong, testified at the meeting and explained that the title company the Parcel 15 Owners are working with still would not recognize legal access to Parcel 15 over the road reserve. Additionally, Ms. Chong requested reimbursement of amounts she paid for the survey of the easement (\$2,415) and for the cost of the appraisal by the State (\$4,500).

The Board deferred action on the matter on October 28, 2022, under Agenda Item D-7, as the Chairperson wanted additional time to discuss with staff.

Quitclaim to County of Hawaii:

After the Board meeting of October 28, 2022, the Chairperson and staff met with a representative of Title Guaranty of Hawaii, Inc. (TG), Lorrin Hirano, who indicated that if the State were to quitclaim its interest in the road reserve to the County, TG would then recognize Parcel 15 as has having legal access to a public road. Land Division discussed this proposal with the County who submitted a letter dated February 24, 2023 requesting conveyance of the road reserve to it. See Exhibit 3 attached. Now staff is bringing this item to the Board to quitclaim the road reserve to the County as a remnant.

Pursuant to section 171-52, HRS, a remnant is defined as "a parcel of land economically or physically unsuitable or undesirable for development or utilization as a separate unit by reason of location, size, shape, or other

characteristics." The subject parcel has been determined to be a remnant by this definition for the following reasons:

The parcel is a remnant road reserve with an area of 2,634 square feet, more or less, which meets the definition of a county highway under the Highways Act, Chapter 264, HRS, is therefore already owned by the County, and, as a result, is unsuitable for development by the Department.

In addition to the authority cited above, pursuant to Section 171-95(a)(5), HRS, the Board may:

Execute quitclaim deeds to the governments and agencies, with or without consideration, releasing any claim to the property involved made upon disputed legal or equitable grounds, whenever the board in its discretion deems it beneficial to the State

In the present case, it is beneficial to the State to quitclaim the remnant road reserve to the County in the interest of resolving concerns about public access over the land.

Reimbursement:

The Department recommends only a reimbursement for the amounts paid for the easement based on the fair market value appraisal (\$10,800), document fee (\$30) and survey map fees (\$25) for a total of \$10,855. In addition, the Parcel 15 Owners are asking for reimbursements for amounts they paid to a private surveyor (\$2,415) to map the easement corridor and for the cost of the State's appraisal (\$4,500) to determine the easement consideration. The Department disagrees with paying these latter amounts since they were costs paid to third-party consultants for work performed. The surveyor was hired by and paid directly by the Parcel 15 Owners and the appraisal fee was paid by the Parcel 15 Owners to the Department to pay the appraiser for services rendered—for valuing the easement that had been applied for by the Parcel 15 Owners. The Department is unable to reimburse these costs already paid to third-party consultants.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:

- 1. Rescind the prior Board action of October 8, 2021, under agenda item D-7;
- 2. Reimburse fees and costs totaling \$10,855.00 to the payor of such costs;

- 3. Find that the subject land is economically or physically unsuitable or undesirable for development or utilization as a separate unit by reason of location, size, shape, or other characteristics, including the fact that the land is a road reserve owned by the County of Hawaii by operation of law, and, therefore, by definition is a remnant pursuant to Chapter 171, HRS.
- 4. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200.1, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment as a de minimis action;
- 5. Determine that executing a quitclaim deed to the County of Hawaii is beneficial to the State and authorize the quitclaim of interests, if any, the State may have in the subject remnant road reserve to the County of Hawaii covering the subject area, subject to the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:
 - a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current quitclaim deed form, as may be amended from time to time;
 - b. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and
 - c. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace Martin

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Candace Martin Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: \mathcal{G}^{CH}

Dawn N. S. Chang, Chairperson

EXHIBIT 1

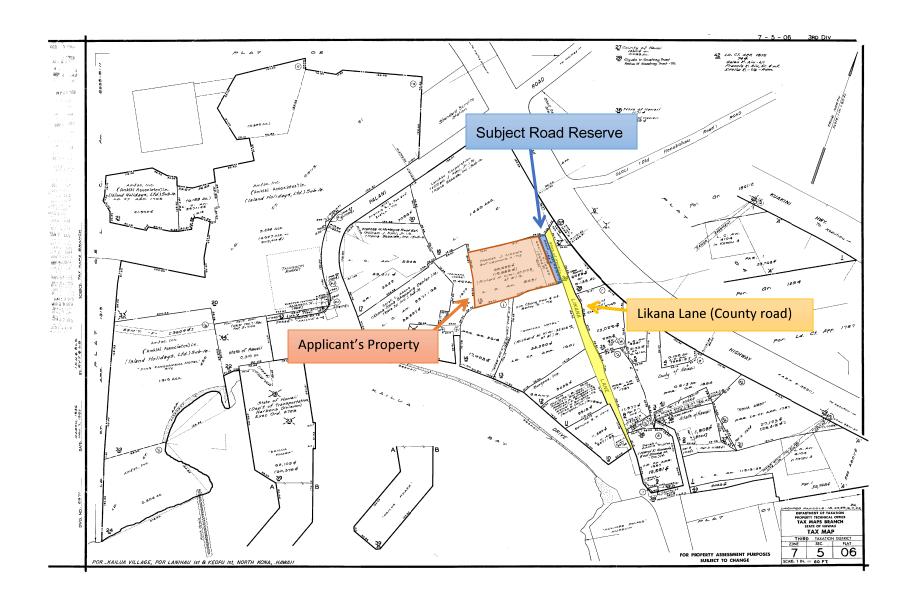


EXHIBIT 2

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES Land Division Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

October 8, 2021

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii PSF No.:21HD-020

Hawaii

Grant of Term, Non-Exclusive Quitclaim Easement to Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln, for Access and Utility Purposes, Lanihau 2nd, North Kona, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:034 (por.).

APPLICANTS:

Lenore Lincoln LLC, a Hawaii corporation, Tenants in Common (33% interest);

Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Tenants in Common (33% interest); and

Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Tenants in Common; Patricia L. Rickard, married, Tenants in Common; and Jon K. Lincoln, married, Tenants in Common (34% interest).

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Lanihau 2nd situated at Kailua Village, North Kona, Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:034, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

AREA:

Approximately 300 square feet, more or less. Exact area to be determined by survey.

APPROYED BY THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
AT ITS MEETING HELD ON
OCTOBER 8, 2021 U.O.

October 8, 2021

ZONING:

State Land Use District:

Urban

County of Hawaii CZO:

V-.75

Resort-Hotel

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Encumbered by Revocable Permit No. S-7580, Bougainvillea Plaza Limited Partnership, Permittee, for parking with loading/unloading zone purposes.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Right, privilege and authority to construct, use, maintain and repair a right-of-way over, under and across State-owned land for access and utility purposes.

TERM:

Sixty-five (65) years.

COMMENCEMENT DATE:

To be determined by the Chairperson.

CONSIDERATION:

One-time payment to be determined by independent appraisal establishing fair market rent, subject to review and approval by the Chairperson.

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) § 11-200.1-16 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources reviewed and concurred on by the Environmental Council on November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1 that states, "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing," and Item 39 that states, "Creation or termination of easement, covenants, or other rights in structures or land."

October 8, 2021

DCCA VERIFICATION:

Lenore Lincoln, LLC:

Place of business registration confirmed: YES
Registered business name confirmed: YES
Applicant in good standing confirmed: YES

Not applicable to all other applicants as they are either trusts or individuals and as such are not required to register with DCCA.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

Applicant shall be required to:

- 1) Pay for an appraisal to determine the one-time payment;
- 2) Provide survey maps and descriptions according to State DAGS standards and at Applicant's own cost.

REMARKS:

The subject parcel is a road reserve that is located between private land owned by the applicants and a county road, Likana Lane.

In March 1965, Land Patent Grant No. S-14,666 was issued to the adjacent landowner (predecessor of the current applicants), Thomas J. Lincoln, for half the depth of the original road reserve. It is unclear why the entire road reserve was not sold at that time.

In 1969, a hotel was built on the adjacent property and the purchased road reserve area was used as a parking lot for the hotel. The entrance to the parking lot is across the subject parcel and utilities to service the hotel have also been brought across the subject parcel (refer to Exhibit C – photo of entrance to hotel parking). The hotel property has no other access.

At its meeting of November 18, 1988, item F-1-c, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) approved the issuance of a month-to-month revocable permit to Clyde Coatney for loading and unloading zone purposes. Clyde Coatney owned private land across Likana Lane from the subject parcel. At the time, the County of Hawaii requested that the subject parcel not be sold as a remnant but remain under public ownership as it will be needed in the future for road/traffic improvements. The county did not have any objections to the issuance of a revocable permit for the proposed use.

Revocable Permit S-6596 was issued January 1, 1989 and included provision B.13 which stated "Reserve unto the State of Hawaii an area sufficient for a driveway for access purpose to tax map key (3) 7-5-06:15". This provision provides access to the applicant's

parking lot, but there is no information in the file as to why this provision was included. Extensive research has not uncovered anything documenting a previous agreement to provide access across the subject parcel. However, provision B. 13 does suggest that access was intended at some point under some terms.

The applicants are the succedent owners of the adjacent hotel property and began reaching out to Land Division staff in April 2020. They have listed the hotel property for sale and a preliminary title report indicates there is "a lack of recorded access to a public street or highway". The applicants have always thought they had access across the subject parcel to the county road, Likana Lane. The applicant's legal property address is Likana Lane. They are now seeking to purchase an easement across the subject parcel to clear up the "lack of recorded access to a public street or highway".

The submittal was sent out to various agencies for comments with the results as listed in the table below.

State Agencies	Response
DHHL	No Response
DOH- Environmental Planning	No Response
Hawaii County Agencies	Response
Planning	No Objections/Comments
Public Works	See comment in text
Other Agencies & Interested Parties	Response
Office of Hawaiian Affairs	No Response

Staff contacted the County of Hawaii, Public Works Division to inquire as to its interest in the subject parcel for future County use. It is noted that the County's position has not changed since 1988, however it does not have any immediate plans to incorporate the subject parcel into its inventory.

The applicants are in escrow with a pending sale for the hotel property and need to secure legal access for the transaction to proceed. The County of Hawaii is not currently claiming ownership of the parcel and the State of Hawaii recognizes the parcel is a road reserve (not an actual road). In an effort to not hold up the process, staff is recommending the Board authorize the issuance of a quitclaim easement for access and utility purposes to the applicants. In the event that the County claims the property in the future for road widening purposes, access to hotel from a public road will be maintained.

The applicants have not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the last five years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:

- 1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200.1, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.
- 2. Authorize the subject request to be applicable in the event of a change in the ownership of the abutting parcel described as Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:015, provided the succeeding owner has not had a lease, permit, easement or other disposition of State lands terminated within the last five (5) years due to non-compliance with such terms and conditions.
- 3. Subject to the Applicant fulfilling all of the Applicant requirements listed above, authorize the issuance of a quitclaim grant of a term, non-exclusive easement to Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln covering the subject area for access and utility purposes under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:
 - A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current quitclaim term easement document form, as may be amended from time to time;
 - B. The easement shall run with the land and shall inure to the benefit of the real property described as Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:015, provided however: (1) it is specifically understood and agreed that the easement shall immediately cease to run with the land upon the termination or abandonment of the easement; and (2) if and when the easement is sold, assigned, conveyed, or otherwise transferred, the Grantee shall notify the Grantor of such transaction in writing, and shall notify Grantee's successors or assigns of the insurance requirement in writing, separate and apart from the easement document;
 - C. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and

D. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace Martin

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Candace Martin

Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: \mathcal{G}^{CH}

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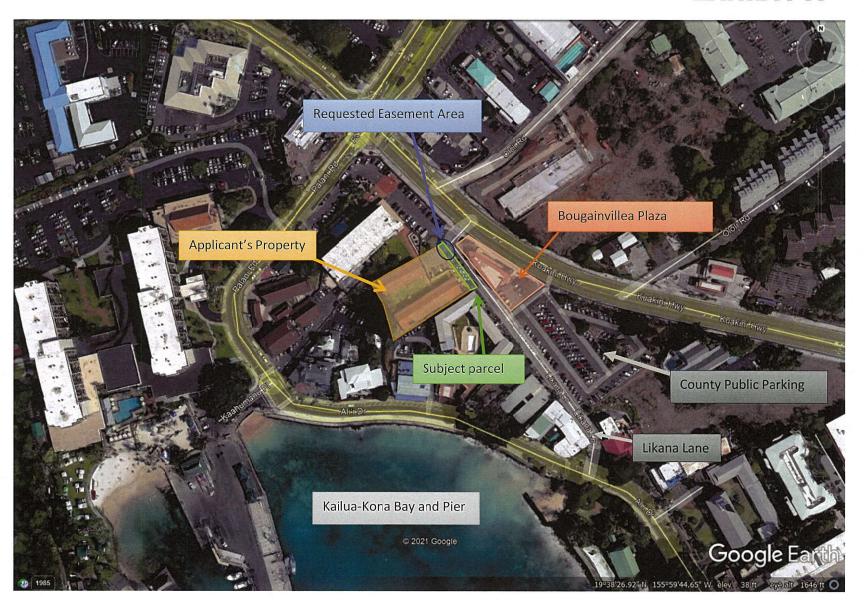
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Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson

Land Board Meeting: October 8, 2021; D-7: Approved as submitted.

Approved as submitted. (6 ayes and one abstention).

EXHIBIT A









STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

POST OFFICE BOX 621 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96809

September 22, 2021

EXHIBIT B

SUZANNE D. CASE
CHAIRPERSON
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

ROBERT K. MASUDA

M. KALEO MANUEL
DEPUTY DIRECTOR - WATER

AQUATIC RESOURCES
BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION
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HISTORIC PRESERVE COMMISSION
KAHOOLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION
LAND
STATE PARKS

EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION

regarding the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Chapter 343, HRS and Chapter 11-200, HAR

Project Title:

Grant of Term, Non-Exclusive Quitclaim Easement to Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln, for Access and Utility Purposes.

Project / Reference No.:

PSF 21HD-020

Project Location:

Lanihau 2nd, North Kona, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 7-5-006:034.

Project Description:

Easement for access and utilities.

Chap. 343 Trigger(s):

Use of State Land.

Exemption Class No.:

16 and the Exemption List for the Department of Land and Natural Resources concurred with by the Environmental Council and dated November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1 that states, "Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing," and Item 39, "Creation or termination of easement, covenants, or other rights in structures or land."

In accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rule Section 11-200.1-

Cumulative Impact of Planned Successive Actions in Same Place Significant?:

No. The requested easement is to legitimize an existing driveway and utility line crossing that has been in use since at least 1969 and

have not had a significant impact.

Action may have Significant Impact on Particularly Sensitive Environment?:

No. The parcel is zoned resort-hotel and the surrounding area is developed in accordance with the zoning. Not a sensitive

environment.

Consulted Parties:

State of Hawaii:

DHHL, DOH-Environmental Planning

County of Hawaii:

Planning Department, Public Works

Other Agencies:

Office of Hawaiian Affairs

These agencies were consulted on the propriety of the HRS

Chapter 343 exemption, and expressed no comments in opposition

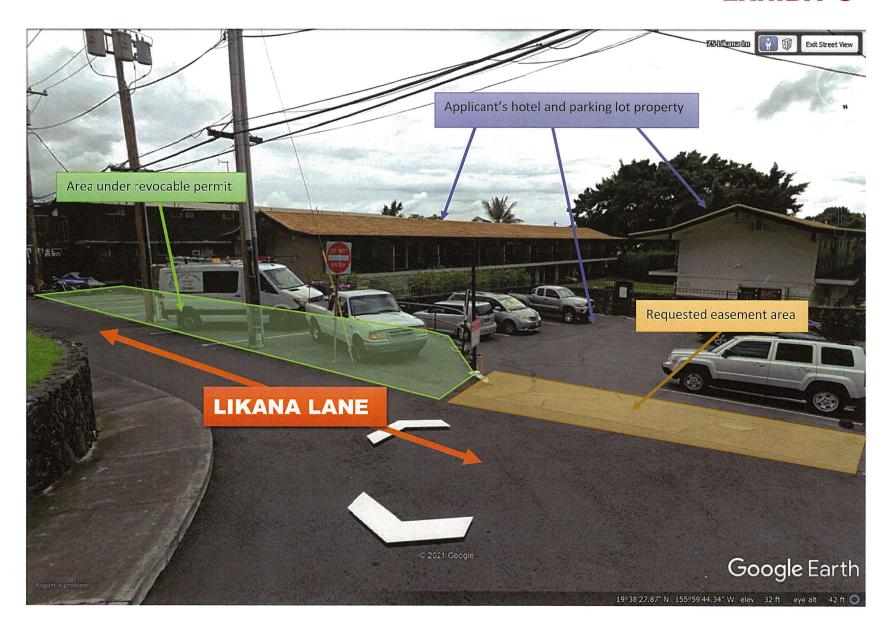
to the exemption.

Recommendation:

That the Board find this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is presumed to be exempt

from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

EXHIBIT C





Mitchell D. Roth

Mayor.



Lee E. Lord
Managing Director

Robert H. Command
Deputy Managing Director

County of Hawai'i

Office of the Mayor

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February 24, 2023

Ms. Dawn N.S. Chang, Chairperson Board of Land and Natural Resources Kalanimoku Building 1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Subject: Acquisition of Road Remnant, TMK (3) 7-5-006-:034, North Kona, Hawai'i

Dear Ms. Chang:

The County of Hawai'i is interested in acquiring the above-referenced road remnant parcel from the State of Hawai'i. We believe County ownership of this parcel will benefit the public by providing public parking, which is much needed in urban Kona and provide surrounding parcels access to the County right-of-way Likana Lane.

We respectfully request your presentation of this land conveyance request to the board. This request is being made to clear title for the subject property. Should you have any questions or further requirements, please contact Keone Thompson, Department of Public Works Engineering Division Chief at with any questions or concerns.

With Aloha,

Mitchell D. Roth, Mayor

County of Hawaii

cc: Stephen Pause, P.E. Director, Department of Public Works

Keone Thompson, Engineering Division Chief, Department of Public Works

Kevin Moore, DLNR Assistant Administrator

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Dawn N. S. Chang, DLNR Chairperson State of Hawaii Dept. Of Land and Natural Resources Honolulu, Hi

Via email to Candace M. Martin, Land Agent, DLNR-Hawaii District Land Office

Dear Ms. Chang:

This is in reference to the attached May 12, 2023 submittal prepared by Candace M. Martin, specifically the "Reimbursement" paragraph on page 5. Despite the Departments recommendations and disagreement with paying the additional requested reimbursement for the necessary \$2,415 survey and \$4,500 appraisal expenses, I am still seeking reimbursement as these services were required by the Dept. and their instructions were followed. My Ohana should not be penalized for a costly "mistake" by the Dept and they should be able to figure out internally how to orchestrate that reimbursement.

This process started in April 2020, is now in year 4 and additionally has cost us a hefty amount of unnecessary legal fees. Russell Tsuji's apologies at the October 28, 2022 BLNR meeting is appreciated, however that has no bearing on what is rightly owed us. The total amount being requested for reimbursement is \$17,770.00 and I trust the Board will make a conscientious effort to settle this.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely, Lawa Chan

Laura Chong

(Representative for the Lincoln Ohana)

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR | KE KIA'ĀINA

SYLVIA LUKE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR | KA HOPE KIA'ĀINA



DAWN N. S. CHANG
CHAIRPERSON
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Ref. No.: 21HD-020

Author: LD-CMM



STATE OF HAWAI'I | KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAND DIVISION

75 Aupuni Street, Room 204 Hilo, Hawaii 96720 PHONE: (808) 961-9590 FAX: (808) 961-9599

May 4, 2023

Laura Chong 98-667 Kaahele Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Dear Laura Chong:

Subject:

Rescind Prior Board Action of October 8, 2021, Item D-7, Grant of Term, Non-Exclusive Quitclaim Easement to Lenore Lincoln LLC, Elizabeth L. Reis as Trustee for the Lei Clotilda Mathews Living Trust dated October 23, 2008, Frances J. Segundo as Trustee for The Francis and Frances Segundo Trust dated November 1, 2017, Patricia L. Rickard and Jon K. Lincoln, for Access and Utility Purposes, Lanihau 2nd, North Kona Hawaii, TMK: (3) 7-5-006:034 (por.);

The Board of Land and Natural Resources will consider the above referenced request at its meeting on May 12, 2023. Enclosed is a copy of the subject Board submittal, agenda item D-5, relating to this request. The meeting commences at 9:15 a.m. in the DLNR Boardroom located in the makai wing, first floor (Room 132), Kalanimoku Building, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, Hawaii. The meeting will be an hybrid meeting; both on-line and in-person. Should you wish to attend the meeting in-person, please follow the current COVID-19 protocols. Members of the public are asked to wear a mask if attending in-person. The public can listen and view the live stream of the meeting via the link below on YouTube: http://youtube.com/c/boardoflandandnaturalresourcesdlnr

Interested persons can submit written testimony in advance of each meeting that will be distributed to Board Members prior to the meeting. Written testimony must be submitted no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting to ensure time for Board Members to review it. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record, but we cannot assure Board Members will receive it with sufficient time for review prior to decision-making. Submit written testimony to blnr.testimony@hawaii.gov.

To provide live oral/video testimony during the online meeting, email your request to blnr.testimony@hawaii.gov at least 24 hours in advance, with your name, phone number, email address, computer identification name (check your device settings), and the agenda item on which you would like to testify. Once your request has been received, you will receive an email with the Zoom link via which to testify. You will need a computer with internet access, video camera and microphone to participate. If you require access by phone only, please indicate that in your email request. Testimony will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per person per agenda item.

Note: If your request is to participate during the meeting to offer public testimony, include your email, full name and item number, phone number and a confirmation will be sent to you with instructions and the meeting link.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (808) 961-9590 or by email at Candace.M.Martin@hawaii.gov . Thank you.

Sincerely,

Candace Martin

Candace Martin Land Agent

Enclosure

cc: Central Files

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May 10, 2023



Aloha Board Members,

My name is Charlene Pascual and I am the president of Hawaii Explosives & Pyrotechnics, Inc. I believe you have received other testimony in reference to this annual permit application including technical data from our operations manager Bruce Albrecht. Stephanie and Bruce have done a great job of gathering the information for your review.

My testimony is coming from a more personal point of view. I hope to demonstrate what this show means to our family as it has truly become a generational endeavor encompassing over 30 years of our lives. We are all Keiki O Ka Aina and my history with this beach dates back to the 1960's, diving off the pier and swimming in the lagoon.

When our company was formed in 1991 I was so happy to have the opportunity of actually working where I spent so much of my childhood, as I lived on Niu street and attended Ala Wai Elementary school.

Over the years numerous of our friends and family members have worked with us from brothers and sisters to in-laws and cousins, to my own children as each one reached the required age to help clean up and then ultimately as young adults to actually take part in other elements of the display production. We are going on to the 3rd and 4th generation at this point.

Through all these years we maintained a good relationship with DLNR land agents; working together as partners in the care of the area entrusted to us via the permit process. I believe we started with Cecil Santos, then if memory serves it was Steve Lau for many years.

I know our family relied heavily on the income derived from this weekly performance to survive; as did many other families, and small businesses in the area. This important benefit continues today from this one night.

During the course of time we have worked side by side with Captain Mondu and of course with Nappy Napoleon. They can and will I believe, attest to our care of this beach throughout the history of the weekly show. Nothing is ever perfect of course, but whenever an issue did come to our attention (whatever the nature) it was addressed and corrected. That still holds true. When a previous board member brought forth and physically demonstrated his concerns; we were truly and completely shocked at his apparent discovery. This caused us to reevaluate and implement additional cleanup methods. To that end, we continue to assess and improve our practices as we move along.

Thank you for your time. I hope you will vote yes on our agenda item to allow this tradition that is so close to our hearts and that brings joy and benefit to so many.... to carry on!

Sincerely,

Charlene Pascual

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President