June 4, 1976

Mr. Milton Hakoda, Director Department of Parks & Recreation County of Hawaii Hilo, HI 96720

Re: Special Management Area Use Permit Application Tax Map Key 7-5-05:7

The Planning Commission at its duly held public hearing on June 3, 1976 considered your application for a Special Management Area (SMA) Use Permit to allow the construction of four (4) tennis courts at the former airport runway at Kailua Park (Old Kona Airport), Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii.

The Commission voted to approve your application effective June 3, 1976, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That construction commence within one (1) year and be completed within one (1) year thereafter.
- 2. That all other applicable rules and regulations, including the plan approval process, be complied with.

Should any of the foregoing conditions not be met, the Special Management Area Use Permit shall be deemed null and void.

We will be forwarding the official Special Management Area Use Permit as soon as the document is prepared. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Norman Hayashi or Royden Yamasato of the Planning Department at 961-8288.

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Leon K. Sterling, Jr. Chairman, Planning Commission

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cc: Chief Engineer, Public Works

PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Department County of Hawaii Hilo, Hawaii

Application for SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT by COUNTY OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION for TENNIS COURTS in Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii

SMA USE PERMIT NO. 10

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT

The County Planning Commission at a duly held public hearing on June 3, 1976, considered the application of the County of Hawaii Department of Parks and Recreation for a Special Management Area Use Permit in accordance with Rule No. 9, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection, to allow the construction of four (4) tennis courts at Kailua Park (Old Kona Airport), Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii, TMK: 7-5-05:7.

The Commission has found:

That approval of the proposed use is in keeping with the spirit and intent of Act 176, SLH 1975, and Rule 9 of the Planning Commission. The purpose of Act 176 and Rule 9 is to avoid the permament loss of valuable resources and the foreclosure of management options, and to insure that adequate public access is provided to public-owned or used beaches, recreation areas, and natural reserves. Kailua Park is a major recreational area for the North Kona district. It is used for beach and water-related activities as well as for general community active recreation. The purpose of the proposed project is to expand the park facilities through the conversion of the old airport runway. Inasmuch as the proposed project is intended to meet public recreational needs, it is determined that the proposed project complies with one of the main purposes of Act 176 which is the provision of public recreational areas within the coastal zone.

Further, the proposed project will not have any substantial, adverse environmental or ecological effect. The proposed tennis courts will be located on a portion of the existing old airport runway. The existing asphalt surface will be converted to tennis courts by the adjusting of slope and resurfacing of the asphalt. These adjustments are considered to be minor and are not expected to have any adverse impact on drainage, water resources and the like. Any adverse impact will be outweighed by the public welfare. In addition, adverse impacts during the construction stage will be minimized by existing controls and regulations. Therefore, the Commission hereby grants to the petitioner a Special Management Area Use Permit to allow the construction of four (4) tennis courts at Kailua Park, Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii pursuant to the authority vested in it by Rule No. 9, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That construction commence within one (1) year and be completed within one (1) year thereafter.
- 2. That all other applicable rules and regulations, including the plan approval process, be complied with.

Should these conditions not be met, the Special Management Area Use Permit shall be deemed null and void.

The effective date of this permit shall be June 3, 1976.

Dated at Hilo, Hawaii, this 24th day of June .

Leon K. Sterling, Jr., Chairman

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