

August 13, 1976

Mr. Edward Harada
Chief Engineer
Dept. of Public Works
County of Hawaii
Hilo, Hawaii

Re: SMA Use Permit Application
Tax Map Key 7-5-05:portion of 7

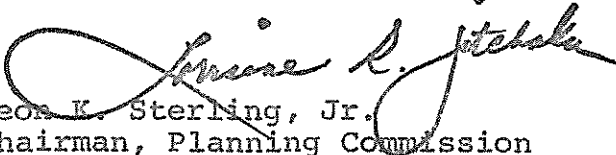
The Planning Commission at its duly held public hearing on August 12, 1976 considered your application for a Special Management Area (SMA) Use Permit to allow improvements to the Old Kailua Airport Road, including a pedestrian walkway, bikeway, resurfacing and widening of existing pavement, and landscaping at Keahuolu and Lanihau 1st, North Kona, Hawaii.

The Commission voted to approve your application effective August 12, 1976, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the project shall conform substantially to the representations made by the petitioner and the plans submitted with the application.
2. That construction shall commence within one year from the effective date of approval of the Special Management Area Use Permit and be completed within two years thereafter.
3. That all other applicable rules and regulations shall 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 us.


Leon K. Sterling, Jr.
Chairman, Planning Commission

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PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Department
County of Hawaii
Hilo, Hawaii

Application for SPECIAL)
MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT)
by)
COUNTY OF HAWAII)
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)
for)
OLD KAILUA AIRPORT)
ROAD IMPROVEMENTS)
in)
Keahuolu and Lanihau 1st,)
North Kona, Hawaii)

SMA USE PERMIT NO. 15

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT

The County Planning Commission at a duly held public hearing on August 12, 1976, considered the application of the COUNTY OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS for a Special Management Area Use Permit in accordance with Rule No. 9, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection, to allow certain improvements to be made to the Old Kailua Airport Road in Keahuolu and Lanihau 1st, North Kona, Hawaii, Tax Map Key 7-5-05:portion of 7.

The Commission has found:

That the proposed project will not be in conflict with Act 176, SLH 1975, and Rule 9 of the Planning Commission. The proposed improvements are also not expected to have any substantially adverse environmental or ecological effect. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve the existing roadway pavement by resurfacing and widening it and to also provide designated paths for bicycle and pedestrian traffic. All of the proposed improvements will be confined to the existing 80-foot right-of-way. Within this area, there are no endangered plants or animals. In fact, the area has already been disturbed through previous use and development and consists primarily of exotic species.

The Old Kailua Airport Road provides access to shopping and industrial areas and to Kailua Park, all of which are heavily used areas. Kailua Park is a major recreational area for the Kona region. The proposed project will provide an improved and safer access to the park as well as to the existing commercial and industrial areas.

The pedestrian walkway and bike path will also provide safe access to these areas and incentive for people to walk and/or ride bicycles, which will help to alleviate the amount of vehicular traffic in the area.

Further, the proposed project will help to implement the purpose and intent of Act 176, SLH 1975, and Rule 9 of the Planning Commission in that it will create an improved and comprehensive access to a major shoreline recreational area. The proposed project also will help implement the Kailua Village Design Plan which calls for bike and pedestrian access to the park.


Therefore, the Commission hereby grants to the petitioner a Special Management Area Use Permit to allow certain improvements to the Old Kailua Airport Road; more specifically, the resurfacing and widening of the existing pavement, 6-foot wide pedestrian walkway, 6-foot wide bikeway, and other related improvements, 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 the project shall conform substantially to the representations made by the petitioner and the plans submitted with the application;
2. That construction shall commence within one year from the effective date of approval of the Special Management Area Use Permit and be completed within two (2) years thereafter; and
3. That all other applicable rules and regulations shall 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 August 12, 1976.

Dated at Hilo, Hawaii, this 25th day of August, 1976.


for Leon K. Sterling, Jr., Chairman

