PLANNING COMMISSION

Planning Department County of Hawaii Hilo, Hawaii

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APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT by COUNTY OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION for KAILUA PARK IMPROVEMENTS in Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii

SMA USE PERMIT NO. 124

## SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT

The County Planning Commission at a duly held public hearing on February 13, 1980, 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 of the Planning Commission, Rules and Regulations Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection to allow the installation of playground equipment, ballfield lighting system, construction of a comfort station, and related improvements. The area involved is the site of the present Kailua Park (Old Kona Airport), Lanihau, North Kona, Hawaii, Tax Map Key 7-5-05:portion of 7.

The Commission has found the following:

That the proposed development is not anticipated to have any substantial adverse environmental or ecological effects. The purpose of the subject request is to allow the improvements to the existing recreational facilities of the airport sports complex. The proposed improvements will be conducted on land which has been extensively improved for the existing uses or paved during its use as Kailua Airport. As such, the threat to any rare or endangered species of plants or animals or unique landforms on the subject property is very remote.

Furthermore, the installation of playground equipment on the paved area, the excavation for ten (10) light poles on the improved ballfield and the construction of the comfort station at the proposed paved site, should not disturb any of the historic concerns of the area. The subject property is located approximately 400 feet from the shoreline. Consequently the proposed improvement should not have any adverse impact on the shoreline.

The end result of this development will be the conversion of the Old Kona Airport Complex from an industrial area to a recreational facility. This is in consonance with the objectives and policies of Chapter 205-A, H.R.S. by providing the following:

- 1. Improve coordination and funding of coastal recreation planning and management;
- 2. Coastal recreational opportunities accessible to the public as well as an adequate supply of shoreline parks and other facilities suitable for public recreation; and
- 3. Encourage expanded public recreational use of County, State, and Federally owned shoreline lands having recreational values.

In addition, the subject proposal is in conformance with the recreational goals and policies of the County's General Plan by providing a wide variety of active and passive opportunities to the residents of the County through the concerted efforts of the State and County of Hawaii.

Based on the above, it is determined that the approval of the proposed development will not be in conflict with the objectives and policies of the Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program as contained in Chapter 205-A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or Rule No. 9 of the Planning Commission, Relating to Environmental Shoreline Protection.

Therefore, the Commission hereby grants to the petitioner a Special Management Area Use Permit to allow the installation of playground equipment, ballfield lighting system, construction of a comfort station, and related improvements at Lanihau 2nd, North Kona, Hawaii, Tax Map Key 7-5-05:portion of 7, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Rule No. 9 of the Planning Commission.

Approval of the Special Management Area Use Permit is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the proposed improvements shall conform substantially to the plans submitted and the representations made by the petitioner.
- 2. That the petitioner, or its authorized representative, shall secure plan approval within two (2) years from the effective date of approval of the Special Management Area Use Permit.

- 3. That construction shall commence within two (2) years from the date of receipt of final plan approval and shall be completed within two (2) years thereafter.
- That the petitioner comply with the require-4. ments for subdivision approval prior to construction.
- In the event that any unimproved portion of 5. the parcel is used as a site or for construction purposes, an archaeological reconnaissance and subsurface testing will be conducted for such areas.
- 6. Should any archaeological remains or historical sites be found during land preparation activities, work shall immediately cease and the petitioner/ representative shall immediately notify the Planning Department. Work shall not be resumed until a review and clearance is obtained from the Planning Department.
- 7. That all other applicable rules, regulations, and requirements, including those of the Department of Water Supply, shall be complied with.

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

The effective date of this Permit shall be February 13, 1980. Dated at Hilo, Hawaii, this 12th day of June, 1980.

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Chairman, Planning Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

DEPUTY CORPORATION County of Hawaii COUNSEL

Date: 30 May 80