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Mr. Jeffrey Melrose
Island Planning
1405 Waiānuenu Avenue
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Dear Mr. Melrose:

Special Permit Application (SPP 12-000134)

Applicant: Kohala Wishing Well, LLC

Request: To Allow a Pre-K Through 8th Grade Non-Profit Country School and Learning Center for up to 50 Students and Value-Based Adult Education Evening Classes on 3.357 Acres of Land Within the State Land Use Agricultural District

Tax Map Key: 5-5-008:040

The Leeward Planning Commission, at its duly held public hearing on July 19, 2012, voted to accept your request to withdraw the above-referenced application as requested in your letter dated July 18, 2012, on behalf of the applicant, Kohala Wishing Well, LLC.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Daryn Arai of the Planning Department at 961-8288, ext. 8142.

Sincerely,

Lani Bowman, Vice Chairman
Leeward Planning Commission

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cc: Kohala Wishing Well, LLC
cc/ltr: Planning Department – Kona
Mr. Gilbert Bailado

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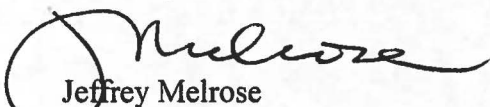
Subject Request to Withdraw Special Permit Application SP 12-000134: Kohala Wishing Well LLC, TMK 5-5-008:040, Hoesa, North Kohala

This letter is to notify the Planning Department that the Applicant, Kohala Wishing Well LLC, is formally requesting to withdraw the subject Special Permit application that is scheduled to be heard at the Leeward Planning Commission on July 19, 2012. This is done after much soul searching and is prompted to by two inter-related factors. First, the recommended conditions proposed by the Planning Department and the Department of Public Works would require the school to take a major role in improving the publically owned Hoesa Road, including the widening and resurfacing of over 0.6 miles of Hoesa Road, along with other, yet to be determined improvements. The costs of these improvements are in excess of what the proposed small school can shoulder.

Neighbors who live along Hoesa Road have also expressed their strong objection to the project based on the current state of the road and their preference not to see additional traffic on the road in its current state. We acknowledge these concerns as valid and look forward to working with the neighbors to see that the current substandard nature of the road is improved to enhance the safety of current and future uses of the road.

We thank your staff for their professional handling of this matter and look forward to working with them in the future. If you have any questions, please call me at 989-8322.

Sincerely


Jeffrey Melrose
Island Planning

For Kohala Wishing Well LLC
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