

# Meeting Minutes

**Thursday, October 17, 2019**

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## **Community Plan Advisory Committee**

**Attending:** Chair Kai Nishiki, Vice-Chair Jeri Dean, Yvette Joyce Celiz, Hans Michel, Karen J. Comcowich, Dylan Payne, Ravi Bugga, Aina Kohler (arrived at 5:58 p.m.)

**Absent:** Donald Robert Gerbig, Joseph D. Pluta, Dawn Hegger-Nordblom, Leilani Pulmano

## **County of Maui – Planning Department**

Pam Eaton, Long Range Planning Division

Jennifer Maydan, Long Range Planning Division

Kate Blystone, Long Range Planning Division

Tiffany Bostwick, Long Range Planning Division

Call to order at 5:45 p.m.

## **Public Testimony (00:00 to 9:28 in Meeting Video)**

Michele Lincoln read from her written testimony, providing extensive recommendations to CPAC regarding Goal 2.5: Safe, Healthy, Livable Communities for All. ([Link to written testimony](#))

Councilmember Tamara Paltin identified the satellite offices on the West side that CPAC members can utilize to testify at County Council meetings. She provided current mobility updates from the Council’s Multimodal Transportation Committee, specifically the recently-deferred Ma’alaea agricultural subdivision and the possibility of a multiuse path across from Carl’s Jr. Questions from CPAC included Councilmember Paltin’s thoughts on overpasses and underpasses; clarifying “rainbowpass;” and clarifying the location of the multiuse path.

**Guest Presentations Related to Goal 2.5: Safe, Healthy, Livable Communities for All**  
**(9:28 to 1:07:00)**

1. Health and the Built Environment – Lauren Loor, Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Coalition ([Link to PowerPoint presentation](#))

Lauren Loor defined the terms “public health” and “built environment;” talked about the HEAL Coalition and its mission to reduce obesity and chronic diseases among Hawai'i residents; and provided policy and action recommendations to CPAC. **(9:28 to 25:00)**

Questions from CPAC included Lauren's top 3 practical priorities for West Maui; the possibility of opening school parks to the public (during non-school hours) as a solution to public park shortages; and possible policy and action recommendations related to agriculture. **(25:00 to 30:39)**

2. Active Transportation and Mobility – Lauren Armstrong, Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) ([Link to PowerPoint presentation](#))

Lauren Armstrong focused on the connections between health and transportation, and provided ideas for policies and actions to include in the West Maui Community Plan. **(30:39 to 46:20)**

Questions and comments from CPAC included how wide the West Maui Greenway should be; setting aside land for a mass transit corridor; Lauren's thoughts on making Front Street (from Papalaua to Shaw) pedestrian-only; doubts about a public rail system; making Lahaina town a network of one-way streets; how to achieve the goal of providing easy opportunities to get visitors from Kahului to West Maui without renting cars; thoughts on using parking revenues to improve beach access or address tourist impacts on natural resources, and how to provide reduced rates or parking passes for residents only; biggest roadblocks to connectivity; and parking enforcement. **(46:20 to 1:07:00)**

**RECESS AND DINNER BREAK**

**Guest Presentations Related to Goal 2.5: Safe, Healthy, Livable Communities for All**  
**(Cont.) (1:07:00 to END)**

3. Parks and Recreation Network – Dave Yamashita and Karla Peters, County Department of Parks and Recreation ([Link to PowerPoint presentation](#))

Dave Yamashita and Karla Peters gave a presentation on parks and recreation in West Maui, including existing conditions, current and planned projects, challenges, and policy recommendations. **(1:07:00 to 1:36:23)**

Questions and comments from CPAC included park accessibility, standards, responsibility and maintenance; the status of various parks, projects and plans; public bathrooms; and opportunities to get more funding. **(1:36:23 to END)**

**NEXT MEETING IS ON OCTOBER 22, 2019. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40 P.M.**

