

Bill 24 (2024) Testimony

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July 30, 2024

Councilmember Radiant Cordero
City and County of Honolulu
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, HI. 96813

Re: Primary Urban Center Development Plan

Dear Councilmember Cordero:

The Aiea Community Association would like to go on record as being opposed to any mixed use multi story building on the remaining old Aiea Sugar Mill site. The community's vision as planned and expressed in the Aiea Town Center Master Plan calls for that land to be developed and set aside for 1) the relocation of the Aiea Library, which just celebrated 10 years; 2) an affordable senior facility, set to open in 2025; and lastly community open space. Mast plans and renderings of the community's open space this community's open space can be found on the ACA website: aieacommunity.org.

The community has spent countless hours getting community input to bring about this vision of the old Sugar Mill site (once the center and economic force of our community) realize this dream of community space. We have waited patiently for the political will to make this plan a reality.

We feel that when it come to the urban planning of 'Aiea as defined by its zip code, hasty decisions should not be made and sincere community input must be sought.

There are other very important parcels of land that must be addressed. The former Kamehameha Drive in Site, the shoreline properties along Pearl Harbor and the vacant Toys Are Us property. Please engage the community in all the above plans as we are the ones who live, work and play in 'Aiea. We do not want our community to be a mix match of urban development.

Sincerely,

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President
'Aiea Community Association

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