

# South Maui Community Plan Talk Story Tuesday

## Topics Discussed

Sept. 28, 2021 | 3:30 - 5:30 pm | Via Zoom

### General Topics Covered by All

1. Tourism – Community members who participated discussed the need for adjustments to the visitor industry with the size and scope to be determined. Legal vacation rentals, timeshares and resorts are overwhelming South Maui. It is believed the County should remain consistent with the Maui Island Plan (Plan). Policy 4.2.3.a on page 4-14 of the Plan states: “Promote a desirable island population by striving to not exceed an island-wide visitor population of roughly 33 percent of the resident population.” Also discussed safety and quality-of-life concerns of short-term rentals mixing with long-term housing within condo complexes.
2. Traffic – The discussion involved the traffic in and around the Kīhei Charter School and the future high school, and that safety for our students should be the number one concern.
3. New development in and around the future high school and Tech Park – Participants discussed the development of agriculture/grazing ranchlands mauka of Pi‘ilani Hwy into workforce housing and mixed use projects. Challenges include the potential for increased traffic and current lack of infrastructure in the area.
4. New development along Mokulele/Maui Veterans Hwy – There may not be interest to live in this area and concern exists that real estate speculators and off-island investors would buy up these properties if developed. Also there is concern developing here would create more traffic.
5. Maui Bus – General consensus was the buses are clean, well maintained, air conditioned and reliable. The group expressed concern that the lack of ridership inhibits the lack of bus frequency on routes, but that the lack of routes and frequency is creating a lack of riders. Also, inability to ride with large suitcases and the new rental car facility at airport, inhibit visitors from using the bus.

### Topics Introduced by an Individual Community Member

- Changing zoning/community plan designation for the Mā‘alaea Yacht Marina (a condo complex in Mā‘alaea) from light industrial to residential.