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### BEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION

### OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

In the Matter of the Petition of:

HG KAUAI JOINT VENTURE, LLC

To Amend the Land Use District Boundary of Certain Lands Situated at Kapa'a, Island of Kauai, State of Hawai'i, consisting of approximately 96 Acres, from the Agricultural Land Use District to the Urban Land Use District, Kauai Tax Map Key 4-3-03: por 01. DOCKET NO. A11-791

PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDED PETITION FOR LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT; DECLARATION OF WILLIAM W.L. YUEN; CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

## PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDED PETITION FOR LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT

Petitioner HG KAUAI JOINT VENTURE, LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company

("HG Kauai"), by and through its attorneys, Dentons US LLP, hereby moves to withdraw its

Amended Petition for Land Use Boundary Amendment.

This motion is brought pursuant to HAR § 15-15-50.6(b) and is based on the attached

declaration of counsel. Petitioner requests that the Amended Petition be withdrawn and the

hearing om the Amended Petition scheduled for June 10, 2021, and any subsequent hearing

dates, be canceled.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, May 27, 2021.

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# DECLARATION OF WILLIAM W.L. YUEN

# **DECLARATION OF WILLIAM W.L. YUEN**

I, WILLIAM W.L. YUEN, declare and state as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice in the State of Hawaii. I am an

attorney for the law firm of DENTONS US LLP, counsel of record for Petitioner in this case.

2. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this declaration. If called

to testify, I could and would competently testify to the facts stated in this declaration.

3. I make the declaration in support of Petitioner's Motion for Withdrawal of

Amended Petition for Land Use District Boundary Amendment ("Amended Petition).

4. HAR § 15-15-50.6(b) states:

If a petition for district boundary amendment has been set for hearing, the petition may be withdrawn only upon the commission's granting of a motion for withdrawal filed by the petitioner. In the event the commission grants a motion to withdraw, the petitioner may not refile the petition within one year after the granting of the motion for withdrawal.

5. On August 27, 2020 Petitioner filed the Amended Petition. The hearing

on Petitioner's Amended Petition began before the State of Hawai`i Land Use Commission

("Commission") on March 10, 2021. The Commission held additional hearings on March 11,

24, and 25, April 15, and May 12, and 13, 2021.

6. On May 13, 2021, Petitioner completed its case-in-chief. Following the completion of Petitioner's case-in-chief, Commissioner Okuda moved to deny the Amended Petition without further evidence by the other parties. Commissioner Okuda's motion was seconded by Commissioner Giovanni.

7. Commissioner Okuda's reasons for moving to deny the Amended Petition included, but were not limited to, the need to supplement the Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS") and meet the standards from Ka Pa'akai O Ka'Aina v. Land Use Comm'n, State of Hawai'i, 94 Hawaii 31, 7 P.3d 1068 (2000).

8. Petitioner requested an opportunity for all parties to respond to Commissioner Okuda's motion in writing, which was granted by the Commission. The hearing on Commissioner Okuda's motion to deny the Amended Petition is scheduled for June 10, 2021.

9. Petitioner wishes to withdraw its Amended Petition to address the concerns expressed by Commissioner Okuda, Commissioner Giovanni, Commissioner Chang, other Commissioners, and the public. Addressing these concerns requires significant attention and time.

10. Petitioner understands that in the event the Commission grants this Motion, the Petitioner may not refile the petition within one year after the Commission's granting of the Motion.

11. Based on the foregoing, Petitioner requests that the Amended Petition be withdrawn and the hearing on the Motion to Deny the Amended Petition scheduled for June 10, 2021, and a hearing on this Motion for Withdrawal of the Amended Petition be held instead.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, May 27, 2021.

William W.L. YUEN

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this date I caused a true and correct copy of the

foregoing document to be served on the following persons by E-mail, U.S. mail, postage prepaid

to their respective addresses (as indicated below):

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