

STATE OF HAWAII
LAND USE COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

February 26, 1971
7 p.m.

TO: Land Use Commission

FROM: Staff

SUBJECT: A70-265 - DEPT. OF ACCOUNTING & GENERAL SERVICES
(Makalapa, Oahu)

A public hearing was held on December 18, 1970, on this request by the Department of Accounting & General Services to reclassify approximately 16 acres of land situated within the Conservation District at Makalapa, Oahu, to an Urban designation to allow the development of an elementary school and to recognize the existing use of the larger portion as an athletic field.

It was reported that the City Planning Commission concurred with its Planning Director to recommend approval of the change since: (1) it is in accord with the City's land use policy as reflected in the DLUM for the area, and (2) the larger area is already utilized as an athletic field. The proposed change would thus validate an existing use which conforms to the City's land use policy.

An evaluation of the request by the staff supports the above findings. In addition, it is noted that:

1. The proposed H-1 alignment abutting the makai boundary of the proposed site would form a

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logical boundary for the Urban-Conservation Districts.

2. The Ewa District, in which the proposed school is located, experienced a 66 percent increase in population from 78,666 persons in 1960 to 130,497 in 1970. Accordingly, student enrollment has also increased.
3. The need for the proposed elementary school appears critical in view of the recent destruction of the nearby Halawa Elementary School.

Based on the above findings, the staff concurs with the City Planning Commission in recommending that this request be approved.