

Aloha Kehalani Neighbors,

The question of garage sales has been raised several times since the owner-majority Board of Directors (BOD) was established in 2016. A brief bit of background: the Kehalani Community Association and our community are governed by CCs and DCCRs that were created by the original developers when construction in Kehalani began. Any alteration of these documents requires affirmative votes from 75% of homeowners to approve the changes. This number will soon be over 2,000 owners, so roughly 1,500 would have to vote in favor of any change. The documents currently prohibit garage sales.

In the interest of providing the best possible leadership for our community, the Board of Directors sent out an informal survey to gauge community attitudes toward changing our bylaws to allow garage sales. We sent out 1,880 surveys and 212 were returned. Mahalo to those owners who took the time to let us know your feelings. Responses were as follows:

- 142 (67%) Not Interested in Garage Sales and/or changing the CC&Rs
- 23 (10.8%) Only Slightly Interested in Garage Sales and/or changing the CC&Rs
- 14 (6.6%) Somewhat Interested in Garage Sales and/or changing the CC&Rs
- 33 (15.6%) Very Interested in Garage Sales and/or changing the CC&Rs

Further action on this matter would require undertaking a formal vote at a cost of several thousand dollars, which would have to be added to our association dues. The BOD does not feel the survey revealed sufficient interest to justify the expense of the voting process and has determined that the garage sale prohibition will remain in force.

Please note that the Maui Police Department and our insurance providers have always advised against garage sales due to the risks and liabilities involved. Fortunately, there are a number of safer options available, including Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, and other services that do not involve the traffic and unknown individuals that garage sales bring. We hope that our neighbors will understand that we are acting to protect all of our homes and families the best we can and that those who wish to sell items will do so via these other avenues, especially while people coming into our neighborhoods may also bring the COVID-19 virus.

Again, we thank the 212 owners who provided feedback in the survey. Best wishes for a healthy and happy holiday season and new year.

A hui hou, The Kehalani Board of Directors