



Acclaimed Planner and Architect Andres Duany to Speak on New Urbanism
Councilmember Charmaine Tavares

WAILUKU, Maui, Hawaii -- Acclaimed planner and architect Andres Duany will make a presentation on "New Urbanism" at the Maui County Council's Planning Committee meeting scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2005, in the Council Chamber.

Duany holds degrees in architecture from Princeton and Yale, teaches planning at the Harvard Graduate School of Design and is a co-founder and board member of the Congress for the New Urbanism (<http://cnu.org/>), which has been recognized by the New York Times as "the most important collective architectural movement in the United States in the past fifty years." Last year, Builder Magazine recognized Duany as among the 50 most influential people in home building.

According to the Charter for New Urbanism, New Urbanist neighborhoods are walkable and contain a diverse range of housing and jobs.

New Urbanists support regional planning for open space, appropriate architecture and planning and the balanced development of jobs and housing. They believe these strategies are the best means of reducing the time people spend in traffic, increasing the supply of affordable housing and reining in urban sprawl.

Duany will speak to the Planning Committee on how New Urbanism is relevant to the County's upcoming decennial General Plan update.

The meeting will later feature a panel discussion on existing and proposed County policies relating to transient vacation rentals. Industry and community organizations will be represented.

The meeting is open to the public, and testimony is welcome. For more information, please contact the Planning Committee staff.

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