

2. Proper planning which would put utilities such as power, telephone and TV lines underground in future developments.
3. Proper planning to eliminate traffic congestion through better road systems.
4. Proper planning to provide adequate water and sewer systems to eliminate pollution, and contamination.
5. Proper planning to eliminate flooding.
6. Proper planning to insure the continuation of federal funds for Guam.

7. Proper planning to preserve the island's cultural beauty, tradition, island uniqueness, and historical landmarks.

Planning, unfortunately, has never been one of our long suits on Guam. We somehow think of planning as a dirty word. Yet, most of Guam's troubles right now with utilities, highways, recreation, housing, all go right back to a lack of planning in the decade of the 1960s. The Navy can't really be blamed for it, but let's face it, they didn't plan ahead in power, telephones, water, and highways for Guam's civilian growth.

Nobody was a mind reader, and so nobody planned ahead for Guam's emergence as a tourism center. Nobody could see that Guam was going to have five consecutive years of economic growth in excess of 25 percent.

Now, though, as we go into an economic breather Guam does have an opportunity to think about its future. Not next year, or the year after, but what is the quality of life going to be in 1985, and the year 2000. Not only for us alone, but for our children. Perhaps one of the most important aspects to come out of this 1974 campaign would be the realization that Guam has to think ahead. It has to have a Master Plan. It has to have a comprehensive plan. It has got to stop groping blindly ahead, or playing the expensive game of "catch-up," JCM.

And On Saipan, Too.....

Planning hasn't been particularly strong in our island neighbor to the north, Saipan, either.

We recall that date six years ago when the Royal Taga Hotel opened, complete with a lack of power, and water which didn't reach the second floor of the new building.

In those six years most people on Saipan have watched the tremendous growth of Guam, and said that they won't make the same mistakes there. Yet, just recently Saipan, on power rationing now, heard Addison Marrow, district program and budget officer say: "Saipan's present power needs have far exceeded power requirements planned five years ago." Man, it sounds like we've heard that song before.

We know that planning and funding go hand in hand, and even if Saipan had planned for the economic growth, it's possible that they wouldn't have been able to get the funding anyway.

The trouble is that we see the same thing happening all over again in Saipan, the very same things that took place in Guam over the past five years. Can this be just plain lack of the powers of observation, or can it be a lack of real planning for the future?

We could point out to the people of Saipan that in the years immediately ahead, they are going to have trouble with a labor supply, particularly for the hotels; they are going to continue to have a water supply, and a power supply problem; they are going to have to completely rip up their main road, and widen it, throwing the entire island into a quandry for months. They are going to have a housing shortage. They are going to have a serious telephone problem. There is going to be so much demand for funds that they'll have a budgetary problem. They will have a serious educational crisis.

Planning ahead, or the lack of it, seems to be a common failing everywhere. It would have seemed, though, that Saipan, with such a perfect pattern to follow, wouldn't have fallen into the same trap. JCM.

will absolutely guarantee to vote to sell the GTA, to private enterprise, and print their names in the paper so that we could confront them with it later I think that you could almost guarantee their election to the 13th Guam Legislature. I, for one, am almost satisfied with the list that the Guam Chamber of Commerce endorsed.

How about printing your choice of the 21 you recommend and let's see how it measures up?

Hopeful but doubtful.

/s/G. Clark

Dear Editor:

I testified at the hearing on the Mass Transit Plan, that was conducted Tuesday night Oct. 29, by the Dept. of Public Works, at John F. Kennedy High School.

I would like to correct one point of my testimony, as covered by the news. I was quoted as having said the "proposed system would be run by experts, not local engineers." I did not use the word "local" referring to engineers. I said the "proposed system should be run by mass transit experts, not just any engineer." I would also like to note that I stated one of my conditions in approving the proposed system would be a waiver of bus fares for school children and the elderly. Thank you for printing this correction.

Sincerely
T. Frank Flores
Agafa Gumas resident

Dear Editor:

Tomorrow is voting time again. I feel very strongly about a particular subject concerning our Island. Please lend me your ear for one brief opinion.

I would not mind standing in line all day long, to be able to place my vote for any man who would give me his word that he will promote the selling of our sick telephone system. On the other hand, I wouldn't even cross the street to vote for those bucking the idea. For some

We are two University of Guam students majoring in political science who have completed an extremely unbiased poll survey around the island. When we went to interviewing, we told the people whom we were interviewing that we would publish the results of the survey so I hope the will help us in this aspect. We also told the people interviewed that we were doing this survey because it was part of a special project where we could get college credit for doing it.

The purpose of the survey was to find out how the results of a poll survey would be on Guam. Another purpose was to acquaint the public with the value of a survey if the number of people interviewed no matter how small represent a cross-section of the people of Guam. I believe the survey does represent accurately the people's choice in general elections, then surveys can represent accurately the opinions of the people of Guam on certain issues and problems facing Guam. This is already being done extensively in the United States and Great Britain. On an island such as Guam, it is important to work to the people's benefit. Our politicians can then tell us on what the general public is saying instead of just listening to the same voices of people whom they gather around and vice-versa. Thus, if a survey is accurate, the voice of the public can be heard and interpreted objectively.

Three of the questions were (1) whom they would vote for or write-in for Governor on Nov. 5 (2) whom they would vote for Governor & Lt. Governor if the gubernatorial team will vote for on Nov. 5 will be eliminated in the runoff election between the highest teams if there will be any, and (3) what they thought were the two most important problems facing Guam today.

We took 150 random interviews between Oct. 2

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