CALL TO ORDER: Chair Greg Knudsen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of 12 members present. Note: This 15-member board requires eight votes to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Members Present: Paige Altonn, Michael Bomhoff, Robert Clark, René Garvin, Marian Grey, Greg Knudsen, Carl Makino, Roberta Mayor, Amy Monk, Maxine Rutkowski, Herb Schreiner, and Gary Weller.

Members Absent: Elizabeth Reilly and David Tanabe.

Vacancies: One (1) seat vacant in Subdistrict 8 (Lunalilo, Mauka).

Introduction of Board members: Board members introduced themselves at this time.

Guests: Senator Sam Slom, Senator Pohai Ryan, Louise Kim-McCoy (Office of the Mayor), Kurt Tsue (Board of Water Supply), Councilmember Stanley Chang and Michael Leong (Councilmember Stanley Chang’s Office staff), Patricia McManaman (Department of Human Services and Governor’s representative), Sergeant Johnny Agoo (Honolulu Police Department), Laura Thielen, Ed Masaki, Christopher Mann, Tom Sciulli, Thomas Tom, Paul Lubagga, Vincent Hariola, Burt Snyder, Karen Rapoza, Cecu Haverty, Jeffrey Wang, Sheldon Tyau, Ronald Livingston, Philip Rapoza, Richard Speel, Nick Wong, Jeremy Low, Natalie Iwasa, Mike Muramoto, Robin Wong, Tinkle Malama (Videographer), and Nola Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

FILLING OF VACANCY: There were no candidates to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 8 (Lunalilo, Mauka).

RESIGNATIONS: Michael Bomhoff (at-large) and Gary Weller (sub-district 5) announced their resignations due to relocations outside of their districts. Both received lei of recognition. Invitations were extended to the community to fill the vacancies.

STATUS REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – No representative was present.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Sergeant Johnny Agoo provided the following report:

- **Statistics for April 2012** – Included 2 burglaries, 12 thefts, and 8 unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle.
- **Car Seat Safety Tip** – All children up to age seven must be in a properly installed car seat or booster seat.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Koko Head Firing Range** – Further discussion of the matter was postponed to later in the meeting.
2. **Email Notification** – Marian Grey reported not having received the emailed police report.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Kurt Tsue provided the following report:

- **Main Breaks** – Two water main breaks were reported in April 2012.
- **BWS Impersonation** – The Better Business Bureau notified BWS about a series of incidents in which individuals claimed to be BWS employees and requested access to people’s houses. BWS stressed that their employees wear BWS uniforms, drive a BWS truck, and will always provide credentials.
- **Summer Water Conservation** – Residents are recommended to check their property for leaks, avoid watering lawns between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., and to turn off the tap while brushing teeth or shaving. To report a water leak, call (808) 758-4051

Questions, comments and concerns followed: **Park Water Leaks** – A possible water leak was noted at Kamiloiki Park near the front gate of the skate park.
COMMUNITY NEWS:

Lunalilo Home Road Tree Replacement – René Garvin reported that a community meeting will be held to discuss the project on Monday, June 18, 2012, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hawaii Kai Library.

Bus Schedule Changes – Oahu Transit Services has decided on the changes to the bus routes and schedules, including discontinuation of Route 231, which served Ha’aione Valley. There was no adjustment to other routes to compensate for the loss of service to the area. The new schedule will be implemented on Sunday, June 3, 2012.

Hawaii Kai Dog Walk – The fundraising event will be held on June 3, 2012.

July 4 Fireworks – In addition to fireworks, the Independence Day Celebration will include food, vendors, games, and family activities. Parking will be available at Kaiser High and Ha’aione Elementary. Admission to the event is free.

PUBLIC-GENERATED ISSUES:

Introduction of Candidate – Jeremy Low, who is running for a seat on the State House of Representatives, introduced himself. Chair Knudsen stated that any candidates wishing to do the same are invited to do so at Board meetings.

Homeless Problem at Koko Head District Park – Nick Wong reported that there are currently four people living at the park and gave the particular locations. He asked HPD to do something about this problem.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Action relating to the Safety of Koko Head Shooting Range and Bullets Recently Found on Roofops of Homes on Ahukini Street and in Kalama Valley:

- City Response – Chair Knudsen lamented the inadequate response on behalf of the City in response to the problem, considering that the issue was first raised two months ago.
- Gravity of the Problem – Clark noted that the Shooting Range has been on Oahu for a long time, and the occasional stray bullet may not be a big enough issue to warrant serious overhaul.
- Bullets Falling in Residential Areas – Knudsen reported that he found a bullet on the hill behind his house in March 2012, and that residents on Ahukini Street found bullets in their roofs in 2009. Knudsen added that in 2010 a bullet flew past him while he was hiking on Koko Crater’s ridge, and he expressed that the bullet needed to land somewhere in Kalama Valley. He noted other incidents of bullets having landed at Hanauma Bay and Lanai lookout, and in 2002 a bullet was recorded to have struck a house in Kalama Valley.
- Point of Order – Knudsen was asked to relinquish the chairmanship before participating in the discussion.

A recess was taken at 7:37 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:42 p.m.

Chairmanship was temporarily passed from Greg Knudsen to René Garvin at 7:42 p.m. for the discussion.

- Parks and Recreation Safety Report – Herb Schreiner reported that the Mayor’s representative had given him a DPR report on the safety conditions of the Koko Head Shooting Range. DPR Safety Officer Georgene Wakui was assigned to investigate the facility and to work with HPD to determine any safety needs the facility may have. Wakui provided a number of safety recommendations to improve the range.
- Report Specifics – Acting-Chair Garvin requested that certain recommendations from the report be shared with the community and the Board. Clark recommended that further discussion of the matter be postponed until the report can be read by all of the members of the board.
- Representation – There was no individual spokesperson to speak for the shooting range. Clark suggested hearing from all of the community representatives who were present.
- Sample Recommendation – There were a number of projects from the 2001 Master Plan for the Range that have not yet been completed, including the construction of concrete horizontal bullet catchers, leveling the grade, and removing hard objects from behind the targets. A number of other departments and organizations provided recommendations for improvements at the range.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Number of Shooting Ranges on the Island – There is only one public shooting range on Oahu.
2. Bullets Found – Sheldon Tyau noted that the incident in which a 50-caliber round was found in 2003 resulted in the stopping of the use of that caliber at the range. Tyau suggested that a cool head be kept, and noted
that a number of organizations are keeping track of the safety at the range. The round at Hanauma Bay was found approximately 10 years ago, but more recently three rounds have been found in Hawaii Kai, one of which was found behind Greg Knudsen’s house. It was noted that it is unknown how long the bullet had been there. A local gunsmith noted that the bullet found on Knudsen’s property lacked the damage normally found on fired bullets, and also appeared very old (possibly dating back to the Second World War). It was suggested that a police report be filed in regards to the bullet found on Knudsen’s property, as HPD would have the facilities necessary to identify the origins of the round.

3. **Point of Order** – The discussion was getting off-topic, and Acting-Chair Garvin suggested limiting discussion to the safety of the Koko Head Shooting Range.

4. **Age of the Range** – The Range was started in 1939, and it was noted that little had been done since then to modernize the facility. It was suggested that the facility undergo maintenance to improve safety.

5. **Ricochet Prevention** – It was suggested that soft sand be laid behind the targets and that shooters use only soft lead bullets.

6. **Range Improvements** – It was noted that the Range has been requesting general improvements for years but has lacked the funds to be able to implement them.

7. **Range Safety** – Jeffrey Wong noted that the range safety is not of concern, and that more information is required before making a decision as to whether more safety improvements are necessary. He went on to say that the bullets which were found at Hanauma Bay were not fired but were merely dropped and the round recently found embedded in a Hawaii Kai roof was a military round which is no longer legal to fire.

8. **Range Limitations** – It was lamented that the Range continues to be limited, with portions of the range being shut down and the general lack of public facilities, and little is being done to improve the range.

9. **Range Usage** – Monthly usage of the Range is estimated to be in the thousands, and as such warrants better maintenance.

10. **Community Meeting** – It was suggested that a separate community meeting be held to address safety issues. Everyone wants better safety, and it would be more useful to work together rather than attacking one another. Knudsen noted that he had notified DPR, HPD, and the Office of the Mayor, and has had no satisfactory response. Knudsen is not seeking the removal of the range but rather improving the safety of the facility.

11. **Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting** – Herb Schreiner announced that there will be another committee meeting to discuss this issue.

Knudsen resumed chairmanship at this time.

**Discussion/Action Relating to the City’s Proposed Use of “Uplands Hawaii Kai” (TMK 39O10047) as a Potential site for Oahu’s Future Landfill** – Chair Knudsen noted that, while unlikely, the issue is worth talking about.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Specific Location** – The proposed site is in an area known as “Queen’s Rise,” which earlier was proposed as a site for construction of recreational “cabins.” Many support keeping that area open and undeveloped.

2. **Mayor’s Representative** – Louise Kim-McCoy clarified that the Landfill Site Selection Committee, comprised of volunteers, assembled the list of potential locations by rating parcels of land which met certain criteria without knowing where the parcels where located on the island, thanks to a double-blind process.

3. **Landfill Selection** – The next step is the Mayor will consider and analyze the list of recommended sites, and ultimately it will go to the City Council to determine the new site.

**OFFICIALS’ REPORTS:**

**Mayor’s Office Representative** – Louise Kim-McCoy reported the following:

- **Honolulu Zoo** – The Zoo has renewed its accreditation from the National Association of Zoos and Aquariums.
- **Koko Head Shooting Range** – Safety is paramount in this issue, and Kim-McCoy suggested inviting DPR director Gary Cabato to the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting.
- **National Paragon Award for Water Safety** – This year’s recipient is Ralph Goto, the Administrator of the Ocean Safety and Lifeguard Services Division for the City and County of Honolulu.
- **Royal Hawaiian Band** – Received the 2012 Industry Award from the Hawaii Academy of Recording Arts at the Na Hoku Hanohano Lifetime Achievement Awards Reception.
- **Maunalua Bay Comfort Station** – The Department of Design and Construction reported that there was a cesspool at Maunalua Bay, but due to City regulations the cesspool had to be closed. Hawaiian American Water is designing a replacement system, which was estimated for completion in Spring 2013.
- **No Parking Signs at Kamehame Ridge** – Normally the Board would be notified when new signs are installed, but the project at Kamehame ridge was to replace existing signs and no new signs were installed.
• Construction Material Stockpile at Kamilo Nui Cemetery – Written response from the Department of Planning and Permitting recommends that the Board invite the current landowner to a future meeting so that he might answer any questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Maunalua Bay Restrooms – It was suggested that the Maunalua Bay restrooms be maintained. At the end of the current construction project, there will be running water at the comfort station.
2. Board Notification – Garvin noted that the Board was merely requesting consistency in being notified of parking restrictions in the area.
3. Lunalilo Home Road Street Lighting – Natalie Iwasa noted the project remains incomplete. Signage was to be consolidated and areas where poles were removed were to be restored. She requested a new timetable and cost estimate for the project. The total project cost to date was requested as well.

Councilmember Stanley Chang (Council District 4): Councilmember Chang distributed his monthly newsletter and provided the following report.

• Appreciation – Chang expressed appreciation to Bomhoff and Weller for their contributions to the Board.
• Landfill Locations – Chang noted that the decision-making process will be as transparent as possible and will involve community input. He noted that there is not a significant need for another landfill at this time with H-Power expanding and recycling increasing.
• Koko Head Shooting Range – Chang’s office is working with HPD in investigating this issue. Chang noted that every year there is a bulk fund available for DPR, and the director may choose which facilities are in the direst need of funding.
• Express Bus Speeding – If there is more information available regarding the bus number or route, Chang’s office would be happy to work with OTS in resolving this issue.
• Park and Ride – The “No Feeding” rule was passed. There should be funding available in the budget to install a “no-feeding” sign at the Hawaii Kai Park and Ride.
• Bus Route Changes – There is concern that Hahaione Valley will be left entirely without service, and Chang’s Office is working with the Department of Transportation Services to come up with a solution.
• Mariner’s Ridge Trail Head – Landowner Kamehameha Schools increased “no trespassing” signage, notified tour companies to stop bringing people, and requested increased parking violation enforcement in the area.
• Remnant Parcels – The report is nearly completed and is forthcoming.
• Kamilo Nui Stockpile – The Department of Health filed a report noting an increase in erosion and they will be issuing a Notice of Violation to the landowner, but there are no financial penalties.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. “No-Feeding” Signage – At this point there is no plan for enforcement of the “no-feeding” policy.
2. Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART) – Chang voted for the resolution, noting that it would add greater transparency to the operations of HART.
3. Fines for Erosion – Improper erosion control resulted in harmful runoff into the marina yet no fines were issued. Concern was raised that when fines are set, they are insufficient to institute real and meaningful change. A pattern of insufficient fine and enforcement was noted.
4. Hawaii Kai Repaving – Improper disposal of construction fill by contractors is problematic. Better contracts from the City would ensure that construction fill makes its way to proper landfills. A massive dumpsite of construction asphalt was reported at the Koko Head Shooting Range and at Koko Head District Park.
5. Reverse 911 – Used by police to contact residents via a landline in the event of an emergency. There are systems in place to notify cell phone users as well, including the tsunami app, which details evacuation zones.

Governor’s Office Representative – Patricia McManaman provided the following report:

• Homeless Plan – McManaman appreciated information on the homeless in Hawaii Kai. Outreach and service will be offered. She also offered to accept feedback to the Governor’s Strategic Homelessness Plan.
• Schedule – The Governor welcomes comments on any bill. The deadline for signing bills into law is early July.
• Broadband Initiative – Visit HawaiiSpeedTest.net to participate in the Governor’s initiative to modernize Hawaii’s broadband access.
• Race to the Top – The Governor met with Secretary Duncan of the U.S. Department of Education and Hawaii is now determined to be in full compliance to receive “Race to the Top” funding.
• Adult Education – The budget included $2.5 million for adult education funding across the state.
Senate Bills (SB) – The Governor approved many bills over the past month, including: SB 2115, which allows for Hawaii schools to attain charter school status; SB 2341, a zoning ordinance which provides better designation for agricultural lands; and SB 2378, the legacy lands bill allowing the State to acquire certain wetlands for the public benefit.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Department of Health Report – Weller requested that McManaman look over the report and provide the Board with the Governor’s impression on the information in the report.

2. Makapuu Base Yard – Pristine land was compacted with asphalt and a temporary fence was put up, neither have been removed after construction, as was promised. The warning light at the makai curve has been gutted and no longer works. McManaman said she would convey these concerns to the Governor.

Senator Sam Slom (Senate District 8): Senator Slom distributed his monthly report and highlighted the following:

- Revenue Commission Meeting – Revenue commissioners decided to stick with revenue estimate for 2012 with a 3% predicted increase for first quarter FY2013.
- Reapportionment – Hawaii Kai will be part of District 9, which extends to Kapiolani Park. Slom consistently opposed reapportionment, which has disenfranchised over 200,000 military personnel stationed in the State.
- Filing Deadline for Candidates – Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. This will be the final session for Representative Marumoto, who will be retiring from the Legislature.
- Town Hall Meeting – Special thanks to Senator Pohai Ryan for organizing the meeting, which will take place on May 30, 2012.
- Kaiser High School Graduation – Senator Slom expressed congratulations to the graduating class of 2012.

Senator Pohai Ryan (Senate District 25): Senator Ryan distributed her monthly report and highlighted:

- Town Hall Meeting – To be held at Kaiser High School on May 30, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. Football Coach Norman Chow and other University of Hawaii coaches will be present to sign autographs and provide their goals for the upcoming season. Legislators will speak regarding the 2012 legislative session.
- Kalanianaole Highway – Ryan requested Weller’s report and will follow up with the Dept. of Transportation.
- Commercial Rules – Ryan is coordinating a meeting with Livable Hawaii Kai Hui and Kailua residents to share how the rules on commercial activity at Maunalua Bay were drafted.

Representative Gene Ward (House District 17) – Representative Ward distributed his monthly report and highlighted the following:

- Resignations – Gratitude was extended to the departing members for their years of service.
- Development at Koko Marina – Ward expressed hope that the new Walgreens and Petco will endeavor to be active community participants.
- Traffic Issues at Koko Marina – There is a safety concern at the left turn into the center, which is being discussed at length at Ward’s office.
- Landfill Location – Ward expressed concern over inclusion of Hawaii Kai on the list of possible landfill sites.
- Photovoltaic Tax Credit – Ward extolled the virtues of this credit.
- Homelessness – Ward’s office is looking into alternatives for the homeless population in the area to inhabit.

Representative Mark Hashem (House District 18) – Representative Hashem notified the chair that he could not be present at tonight’s meeting because his wife gave birth that morning to a baby boy, Noah.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (as needed):

Parks & Recreation – The committee met April 28, 2012, at Koko Head District Park. The minutes have been sent to the Neighborhood Commission Office and will be distributed to the board, as well as the safety report for the Koko Head Shooting Range. There will be an upcoming safety meeting for the Range, with a focus on improving safety.

Education – Amy Monk announced that she will not be seeking reappointment as co-chair of the Education Committee in the upcoming fiscal year in favor of becoming the new chair of the Environmental Committee.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board APPROVED the April 24, 2012, regular meeting minutes as circulated by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 11-0-0. (AYE: Altonn, Bomhoff, Clark, Garvin, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Monk, Rutkowski, Schreiner and Weller; NAY: None; ABSTENTIONS: None).

TREASURER’S REPORT: There was $463.93 spent in the month of April, leaving a remaining balance of $961.10. A video charge was mistakenly noted twice on the report and has since been corrected. The report was filed.
Monk moved and Weller seconded to amend the agenda by adding a motion to fund videotaping of the Board's June meeting. The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 11-0-0 (AYE: Altonn, Bomhoff, Clark, Garvin, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Monk, Rutkowski, Schreiner and Weller; NAY: None; ABSTENTIONS: None).

Discussion of the motion followed:

1. **Number of Meetings** – This year, Neighborhood Boards must request to have eleventh meetings videotaped.
2. **Budgetary Allotment** – The Board's budget is sufficient will allow for the videotaping.

Monk moved and Weller seconded that the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board request that the eleventh regular Neighborhood Board Meeting be videotaped. The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 11-0-0 (AYE: Altonn, Bomhoff, Clark, Garvin, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Monk, Rutkowski, Schreiner and Weller; NAY: None; ABSTENTIONS: None).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Weller and Bomhoff expressed that it was a privilege to serve with the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board.
- Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board regular meetings are cablecast on Olelo the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 9:00 p.m. on Ch. 49 and the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 9:00 a.m. on Ch. 54. Meeting videos can also be seen online at [http://www.olelo.org](http://www.olelo.org) under "What's On?: Olelo.Net" (search "Hawaii Kai Board").
- **Next Regular Meeting** – The next regular meeting of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board will be Tuesday, May 29, 2012, 7:00 p.m., at Hahaione Elementary School Cafeteria.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Submitted By:  Adam LeFebvre, Neighborhood Assistant  
Reviewed By:  Marie Richardson, Neighborhood Commission Office;  
              Greg Knudsen, Chairperson, and René Garvin, Secretary