



NUUANU/ PUNCHBOWL NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 12

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2007

PAUOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

7:15 P.M.

STATE, CITY & COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS, OMPO, AND OTHER AGENCIES

State, City & County Elected Officials, OMPO, and other agencies are encouraged to bring ample copies of their published reports to the scheduled Neighborhood Board meeting, or to deliver them to the Neighborhood Commission Office (Attn: Chair – NB #12, Honolulu Hale, 530 S. King Street, Suite #400) **NO LATER THAN JUNE 18, 2007 (Monday)**. Reports submitted will be distributed to Board members, and extra copies provided will be made available for attending guests.

CITIZENS/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Citizens are encouraged to contact their elected Neighborhood Board members regarding their issues. (See Neighborhood Board No 12 Directory as published on the City's website – below).
- Citizens are encouraged to submit written requests (for agenda consideration), **21 days prior** to future Neighborhood Board meetings to: Chair – NB #12, Honolulu Hale. 530 S. King Street, Suite 400, Honolulu Hi 96813.
- Neighborhood Board members are encouraged to immediately notify and/or forward citizens/community concerns received by them to the **CHAIR**, for timely implementation and referral towards bringing concerns to a closure. The intention of the Chair is to circumvent a "bottleneck effect" in addressing citizen's/community concerns at future Neighborhood Board meetings. The status of concerns received will be included with the "Inventory of Community Concerns", posted online, and will be mailed out with upcoming meeting agendas.

The Chair Pro Tem requests that board members **NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND** this scheduled board meeting to call her **BEFORE 4:00 P.M.** at **595-7094**. If it is determined by the Chair Pro Tem that the board will not have a quorum, the meeting will be **CANCELLED**. All invited guests listed on the agenda will be notified. Citizens wishing to attend the meeting may call the Chair Pro Tem at **595-7094**, to confirm **if** the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR PRO TEM PAULA KURASHIGE** (Note: Sequencing of following items dictated by NP 4-4.1)
- II. CHAIR PRO TEM'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 - A. Neighborhood Assistant to take minutes of the meeting.
 - B. Oath of Office – Board members who haven't taken oath must take it immediately since they cannot be seated until doing so.
 - C. Training - Sunshine Law: The Revised Ordinances of Honolulu require that all board members have sunshine law training every two years.
- III. SWEARING IN OF BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT AT JUNE 2ND CEREMONY: RICHARD CARREIRA**



- IV. ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR** (ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE TERM JUNE 1, 2007 TO MAY 31, 2008). This may change if the new Neighborhood Plan is adopted.
- V. ELECTION OF REMAINING OFFICERS** - VICE CHAIR, RECORDING SECRETARY/TREASURER, VICE SECRETARY/TREASURER, SERGEANT AT ARMS (IF THE BOARD DETERMINES TREASURER OR VICE SECRETARY/TREASURER IS NEEDED --- NP 4-5.1)
- VI. FILLING OF ONE VACANCY** (Sub-district 2) - THE 2007-2009 TERM IS FROM JUNE 1, 2007 TO MAY 31, 2009.
- VII. PRE-ESTABLISH BOARD MEETING DATE/TIME/PLACE**
- VIII. REVIEW AND CORRECTION OF THE MAY 15, 2007 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
- IX. TREASURER'S REPORT**
- X. APPROVAL OF BOARD EXPENDITURES** – Board must approve ALL expenditures over \$25. Chair has authority to spend up to \$25 without Board approval. All approvals must be within Board appropriated amounts.
 - A. Newsletter or videotaping
 - B. RefreshmentsSuggestion: Any Approval motion should be specific to this neighborhood board's term.
- XI. INTRODUCTION OF NEWLY ASSIGNED NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD ASSISTANT**
- XII. HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT**
 - A. Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)
 - B. Honolulu Police Department (HPD)
 - 1) District 1 – Honolulu
 - 2) District 5 – Kalihi
 - a. Drug House on Henry Street
 - b. Burglaries in Nuuanu (Follow-up)
- XIII. BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEMBER RICHARD CARREIRA**
- XIV. CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU - EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

Honorable Mayor Mufi Hannemann, or his representative:
Gail Haraguchi (Deputy Director – Department of Enterprise Services)
- XV. CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU – LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

Honorable Councilmember Rod Tam
- XVI. STATE OF HAWAII - EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

Honorable Governor Linda Lingle, or her representative:
Mark Bennett (State Attorney General)
- XVII. STATE OF HAWAII – LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**
 - A. Honorable Senator Carol Fukunaga
 - B. Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland

- C. Honorable Representative Sylvia Luke
- D. Honorable Representative Corinne W.L. Ching

XVIII. WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED BY FEDERAL, STATE & CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS

XIX. BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY (Iris Oda)

- A. FIRE HYDRANT PROBLEMS @ Alika, Wood, Lower Dowsett, and Puiwa
- B. NU'UANU RESERVOIR SAFETY CONCERNS (Follow-up)

XX. PUNCHBOWL BEAUTIFICATION CONCEPT – Riley Hakoda

XXI. OMPO – OAHU METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REPORT
(Jay Fidell and/or Heather Mullins-Crislip)

XXII. PROPOSED RAIL SYSTEM (Jay Fidell)

- Purpose: Information & Discussion Only (No Policy Making)
- Note: NO BOARD ACTION TO BE TAKEN

XXIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

XXIV. ADJOURNMENT (NO LATER THAN 10:00 P.M.)

NU'UANU/PUNCHBOWL NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD DIRECTORY

SUBDISTRICT 1:

Al Canopin Jr. – (C) 688-7337
(E) 527-5569
James Bannan – 521-5465
Richard Carreira – 537-4106
Patricia Jones – 542-0818
Robert Tom

SUBDISTRICT 3:

Chair Pro Tem Paula Kurashige - 595-7094
Audrey Hidano – 595-6262 (B) 847-5555
Philip Nerney – 537-1777
Jay Fidell – (W) 566-2105 (C) 780-9254
John Harrison

SUBDISTRICT 2:

Sylvia Young – 845-9022 Wendy Ogawa – 479-6286 x216
Mason Aiona – 538-6173 Heather Mullins Crislip -- 523-6186

If you would like to receive this Board's agenda and minutes, please contact the Neighborhood Commission Office, Honolulu Hale, Room 400, Honolulu, HI 96813; call 527-5749; or fax 527-5760 to be added to the mailing list or visit www.honolulu.gov/nco/index1.htm. Any individual wishing to attend a Neighborhood Board meeting who has questions about accommodations for a physical disability or a special physical need should call the Neighborhood Commission Office at 527-5749 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at least 24-hours before the scheduled meeting.

Nuuanu/Punchbowl Neighborhood Board

Inventory of Community Concerns

June 19, 2007

- **ITEM # 1: By Board Sec./Treasurer Patt Spencer (May 16, 2006) – Request for a sprinkler system on Puowaina Drive (Vacant lot where the “Welcome to Papakolea” signage is placed), and for the planting of Hawaiian plants. – RISR 158005.**

NOTE: Funds were removed from the previous Mayor Jeremy Harris’s City Administration.

STATUS/Action Taken:

June 7th and 20th, 2006 - Office of the Managing Director informed Councilmember Tam’s office that this matter was referred to the Department of Design and Construction for a response.

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February 7, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. sent a follow-up inquiry to the City Administration.

February 8, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. receive as response from Deputy Director Eugene C. Lee (Department of Design and Construction) who stated “The City Real Property Assessment Division records indicate that Tax Map Key No. 2-2-014, 015 showed outlined in yellow on the enclosed map, is owned by the State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. Should you have any questions, call Dodie Browne of the Land Division at 527-5068.

February 8, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. communicated with Puni Kekauoha (Executive Director – Papakolea Community Development Corporation to inform her of the response. It was agreed that Chair Al Canopin, Jr. will send a letter to Senator Carol Fukunaga to place funding in the next “state” budget cycle for this project.

March 2, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. forwarded a letter to Senator Carol Fukunaga to request funding for the requested sprinkler system.

May 29, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. left message with the Papakolea Community Association in inquire if Senator Carol Fukunaga has communicated with them on the progress of providing funding in the state budget for the requested sprinkler system. Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received no communication from Senator Carol Fukunaga's office.

June 9, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. conversed with Puni Kekauoha (President – Papakolea Community Association) regarding any communication received by Senator Carol Fukunaga. No updated status was reported. Puni Kekauoha will follow-up with Senator Carol Fukunaga within a week.

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• **ITEM # 2: Request by Vice Chair Paula Kurashige – 11Jan07 – RISR 191824 – 38 Wood Street**

Chair Al Canopin, Jr. submitted a “Request for Investigative Service Report” form to the City Administration for a response – in a request to provide maintenance (cutting grass, trimming trees, disposing of rubbish, etc.) at 38 Wood Street.

January 25, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received a response from Laverne Higa (Director & Chief Engineer) from the Department of Facility Maintenance as follows: “The Department of Facility Maintenance has been assigned to look into this matter. This assignment may require site inspections and research that could delay our response. We anticipate a response to you by March 6, 2007.”

March 6, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr., received a response from Director and Chief Engineer Laverne Higa (Department of Facility Maintenance) and stated: “The subject location referred to is an auwae. The city-owned portion of this auwae was cleaned by a Division of Road Maintenance crew on 2/1/2007. Area will be monitored and cleaned as necessary. Should there be any questions, please call Melvin Miyata, District Road Maintenance Superintendent of the Halawa Corporation Yard, at 484-7630.

March 12, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. was informed by Vanessa Matautia (NCO) with additional information provided by Vice Chair Paula Kurashige as follows: “The subject location - Tax map key no. 22045049, which is a City owned piece of property. A small triangle of land in which goes between Kurashige property (tmk 22045076) and the Wong property (tmk 22045030). The grassy area is where she is requesting help since she has paid to have the area cleaned. Kurashige also requests that any debris cleaned from the awae or the grassy area be picked up and not left to rot near the neighboring properties.” Chair Al Canopin, Jr. submitted another request to the City Administration/Managing Director's Office, to re-open the case.

May 24, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. was notified by Neighborhood Board Commission Office/Neighborhood Board Assistant Vanessa Matautia that Vice Chair Paula Kurashige requested a follow-up (in writing) to this concern, and additionally to include

auwae May 24, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. was notified by Neighborhood Board Commission Office/Neighborhood Board Assistant Vanessa Matautia that Vice Chair Paula Kurashige requested a follow-up (in writing) to this concern, and additionally to include auwae maintenance around the stream, and maintenance to everything that is city owned at the location. Also noted was a tree growing out from the bridge.

May 24, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. notified the City Administration to look into the matter and to reference the previous documentation that was forwarded and responded to by Laverne Higa (Director & Chief Engineer) from the Department of Facility Maintenance. A courtesy copy (cc) was emailed to Vice-Chair Paula Kurashige at Kura1@verizon.net – and it was returned as being an invalid email address.

May 29, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received notification from the City's Managing Director's Office that the request from Vice-Chair Paula Kurashige has been re-referred to the Department of Facility Maintenance for action/response. New communication tracking number is 210780.

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- **ITEM # 3: Request by Neighborhood Board Member Heather Crislip – August 2006 – RISR**

Chair Al Canopin, Jr. submitted a “Request for Investigative Service Report” form to the City Administration on January 18, 2007 for a response to the following concerns:

- (1) There is a 25 MPH Speed Limit sign across from Pacific Heights Road 2349 that is completely obscured by vines hanging down from the property above. There is a great deal of speeding around the blind curve as a result. I am requesting that the sign be maintained.
- (2) The Bus Stop in the 2300 block of Pacific Heights Road (Route 15) has graffiti, which should be cleaned up.

January 18, 2007 - Chair Al Canopin, Jr. apologized to neighborhood board member Heather Crislip for his “oversight” in not initiating the process towards resolving the concerns she raised in a timely manner.

February 7, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received a response from the Department of Transportation Services. The Oahu Transit Services, Inc. bus stop crew removed/painted over the graffiti at the bus stop on the 2300 block of Pacific Heights Road on January 26, 2007.

February 20, 2007 – Board Member Heather Crislip informed Chair Al Canopin, Jr. that the graffiti still exists at the site location, and we still have not received a response

regarding the vines covering the speed limit sign. Chair Al Canopin, Jr. state he will re-open the inquiry to the City Administration.

February 26, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. submitted notification to the City Administration to re-open the inquiry previously submitted, and to obtain a response from the Department of Transportation Services, and the Department of Facility Maintenance.

May 29, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received a response from the Department of Facility Maintenance (Laverne Higa) as follows: “The vines obscuring the speed limit sign at the subject location will be cut back by the end of this month. Should there be any questions, please call Melvin Miyata – District Road Maintenance Superintendent of the Honolulu Corporation Yard at 484-7630.

- **ITEM # 4: Request by Riley Hakoda (20Mar07) Punchbowl beautification.**

Riley Hakoda suggested that the federal government be approached to extend, and care for the outer crater perimeter to facilitate a more neighborhood friendly resource that would encourage casual vehicle/bicycle/pedestrian traffic to deter trash dumping, illegal parking, graffiti, criminal activity, etc.

March 20, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. informed Riley Hakoda that he will place his concern on the NHB 12 agenda for April 17, 2007.

March 21, 2007, - Chair Al Canopin, Jr. referred this concern to Councilmember Rod Tam.

MAY 15, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. informed Riley Hakoda that he will be on the NHB June 2007 agenda to make his presentation.

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- **ITEM # 5: Request by Hilda Sakai (13Mar07) Fire Hazard – Jurisdiction for Trimming of Overgrown Trees in back of Hookui Street thru Auwaiolimu Street.**

March 13, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. sent a written inquiry to the City Administration to inspect the area of concern, determine who has the jurisdiction and responsibility to trim the overgrown trees. Residents were concerned because the night before, a vehicle and some of the trees were on fire.

March 28- 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. received a response from Director Lester Chang (Department of Parks and Recreation) who stated: “A supervisor of the Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Urban Forestry (DUF), recently inspected “scramble egg” trees at the described location. On March 20, 2007, the supervisor telephoned Ms.

Sakai to inform her that, as confirmed with the Department of Design & Construction, Division of Land Survey Acquisition, these trees grow within the property owned by the State of Hawaii. Concerns regarding the maintenance of State-owned trees may be reported to the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation (DOT) at 831-6714.

March 28, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. forwarded a letter to Senator Carol Fukunaga to submit an inquiry to the State Department of Transportation to verify jurisdiction, and to take appropriate maintenance action to ensure that the trees in the area does not pose a fire hazard to residents in the area.

ITEM # 6: Submitted by NHB Member Philip Nerney – Severe potholes on Park Street (near 2909).

May 23, 2007 – NCO NHB Assistant Vanessa Matautia informed Chair Al Canopin, Jr. of the submitted concern and included it unto the Mayor's Representative Report.

May 23, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. contacted Gail Haraguchi (Mayor's Representative) to follow-up with the submission, and to forward the City Administration's findings and action taken to him.

ITEM # 7: Submitted by NHB Member Philip Nerney – Graffiti at Nuuanu Neighborhood Park (basketball court).

May 23, 2007 – NCO NHB Assistant Vanessa Matautia informed Chair Al Canopin, Jr. of the submitted concern and included it unto the Mayor's Representative Report.

May 23, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. contacted Gail Haraguchi (Mayor's Representative) to follow-up with the submission, and to forward the City Administration's findings and action taken to him.

ITEM # 8: June 1, 2007 - Submitted by Vice-Chair Paula Kurashige – Missing Sign on Niniko Place.

June 1, 2007 – Chair Al Canopin, Jr. submitted documentation to the City Administration requesting that the missing sign be replaced.