



## ALIAMANU/ SALT LAKE/ FOSTER VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 18

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2010 ALIAMANU INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL CAFETERIA 3271 SALT LAKE BOULEVARD**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Maurice Morita called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with a quorum of **eight (8) members present**. Agendas and minutes of the Board meetings are also available on the internet at [www.honolulu.gov/nc](http://www.honolulu.gov/nc). Note - This nine-member Board requires five (5) votes for a quorum and to take official Board action.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Larry Baird, Rachel Glanstein, Lorene Godfrey, Chandra Kanemaru, Maurice Morita, Len Pepper, Barbara Troegner and David Yomes.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Dennis Egge (notified absence).

**GUESTS:** Phil McInnis (Senator Norman Sakamoto's Office), Aaron Johanson (State Representative Lynn Finnegan's Office), State Representative Glenn Wakai and Linda Ichiyama (State Representative Glenn Wakai's Office), Sandra Sagisi (Mayor Mufi Hannemann's representative, City Department of Customer Services, Deputy Director), Corinne Gallardo (Councilmember Romy Cachola's Office); Director Craig Nishimura and Stan Katsura (City Department of Design and Construction), Capt. Blaine Shimizu, Michael DePonte, Paul Otto, Seamas Mercado (Honolulu Fire Department), Sgt. Roger Nitta (District 3, Honolulu Police Department); Maj. William Chur, Lt. Robert Chinen and Sgt. Paul Lucas (District 5, Kalihi, Honolulu Police Department); Thomas J. Strout (Board of Water Supply), Pat Lee (Honolulu Rail Transit Project), James Chou, Abe Pacheco, Jean Okamoto, Suzette Adversalo, John Cortez, Howard Shima, Rocky Rockwell, Jenna Lum (Friends of Rocky), Anosh Yaqoob, Linda Frysztacki (Weslin), Ryan Toyomura, Teacher/Advisor and seven students (Moanalua High School); and K. Russell Ho (Neighborhood Commission Office).

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Recognition of the Radford High School cheerleading squad for being named national grand champions at the National Cheerleading Association Senior and Junior High School National Championship in Dallas, Texas - Education/Military - Barbara Troegner, Education/Military Emphasis Leader and Chair Maurice Morita presented Certificates of Recognition to members of the Radford High School Cheerleading squad.

Recognition of members of the Radford High School cheerleaders, who represented Hawaii at an All Star Cheerleading Championship in Atlanta, Georgia, in February 2010 - Barbara Troegner, Education/Military Emphasis Leader and Chair Maurice Morita presented Certificates of Recognition to members of the Radford High School Cheerleading squad.

#### **CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:**

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) - Capt. Blaine Shimizu reported: 1) February 2010 Statistics - 6 fire-related calls, 79 medical emergencies, 8 hazardous conditions, 6 miscellaneous calls for service, 9 good intent and 12 false alarms for a total of 120 calls for service. 2) Fire Safety Tip: As the Easter season approaches, please remember the following safety tips: A. Scald burns are the most common injury among children ages four and younger. When boiling eggs for a coloring activity, be attentive to your cooking and children. Do not leave any cooking unattended. B. If candles are used, do not leave them unattended or near drapes or other ignitable materials, such as artificial grass, which is commonly used as a filler for children's baskets. Ensure your candle holder is the proper size for the type of candle being used. C. Familiarize yourself with the contents of your children's Easter baskets, especially if they contain small toys, and be aware of the manufacturer's warning for choking hazards for young children.

Comments followed: How many calls are there where the HFD arrives before the Emergency Medical Services (EMS)?



Honolulu Police Department (HPD)

Pearl City - Sgt. Roger Nitta reported: 1) February 2010 statistics - 2 auto thefts, 1 auto theft recovery, 4 burglaries, 5 criminal property damages, 1 sex assault, 7 thefts and 9 UEMV (unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle) for a total of 348 calls for service, which were 5.58% of total calls (6,242) for District 3.

Kalihi - Maj. William Chur, District Commander, District 5, distributed the statistics and reported: 1) February 2010 statistics - 37 arguments, 2 assaults, 5 burglaries, 1 driving under the influence (DUI), 4 family offenses, 10 motor vehicle thefts, 32 (-10) motor vehicle collisions, 5 property damages, 10 (+6) thefts, and 11 UEMV (unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle) for a total of 117 (-11) cases. 2) On February 24 there was a sexual assault. 3) On March 19 there was a bank robbery with a gun. 4) Regarding Salt Lake Boulevard at Likini Place, it is an unimproved area and there are no signs for no parking. 5) Regarding special civilian citations, volunteers, wearing light blue uniforms, are authorized to enforce parking issues. 6) He is concerned about burglaries and vehicle break-ins (in the military housing). 7) Regarding the traffic flow around Moanalua High School in the mornings and afternoons, education is stressed, but a few citations for the left turn have been issued. 8) He noted a lack of compliance for the cell phone ban. 9) Regarding the recent burglaries, they were commercial burglaries. 9) Some crimes involve stolen trucks from Pearl City, Waikiki and East Honolulu. Many cases are close to solving.

Comments followed: 1) Regarding the procedure at a roundabout - Drivers in the roundabout have the right of way. Other drivers must yield. 2) On February 20, 2010 a woman reported that her kids got jumped by the Stadium Mall. This item will be expanded under "Residents' Concerns." 3) Regarding the "No left turn" near Moanalua High School, the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) needs to put up sign. HPD is working with DTS on this situation. 4) Vice Chair Yomes and Board member Pepper commended Maj. Chur for giving the highlights instead of just numbers. Chair Morita requested that Maj. Chur stay to the end of the meeting.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) - Thomas J. Strout read the written report. 1) Water Main Breaks - There were no main breaks for Neighborhood Board. 2) GENERAL WATER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Water Main Breaks - Water main breaks are an unfortunate and unavoidable factor in the water utility industry. No water utility is free of main breaks. The Board of Water Supply (BWS) works diligently to reduce the amount of breaks that happen every year. With more than 2,000 miles of pipeline across the island of Oahu, this is a large undertaking. Main breaks can occur for many reasons. Aside from people accidentally hitting our mains, a primary reason for main breaks is the age of our mains. Aging infrastructure is one of the greatest challenges facing utilities across the nation and world. While our own water infrastructure may not be as old as many parts of the country, severely corrosive marine environments significantly impact our underground infrastructure and shorten the service life of our pipeline assets. The BWS has taken several proactive steps towards reducing the amount of breaks: As part of our Quality Infrastructure Conservation Initiative (QUINCI), BWS field crews gather data at the main repair site to determine why different pipelines failed. The data collected can be used to develop solutions that can later be incorporated in pipeline design, installation and/or maintenance. The Board also has a team dedicated to detecting leaks within the water system. When leaks are detected, a BWS crew can execute a planned repair job on the main, thereby fixing the leak before it turns into an emergency main break. The BWS is also working on corrosion control methods in an attempt to extend the life of its waterlines. In an ongoing effort to provide a safe and dependable water supply, BWS carefully manages and plans for the renewal and replacement of its infrastructure. In next month's announcement, we'll talk about how the BWS decides which mains to replace and when. For more information about main breaks and what exactly happens when a main break occurs, visit the "publications" section of our website, [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com).

Mayor Mufi Hannemann's Representative - Sandra Sagisi reported: 1) On March 3 the City held a Memorial Service for former Mayor Frank F. Fasi. 2) Regarding the access plan for Salt Lake Boulevard residents to the Rail Transit Station at the Honolulu International Airport, airport access will be more convenient than it is today. Presently, access to the airport terminal from Salt Lake requires a transfer from either Route 3 or Route 32 to other routes to access the airport. In the case of Route 3, it would require riding into Downtown and transferring to the Route 19 or 20 back out to the airport. In the case of Route 32, it would require transferring at the Middle Street Transit Center to the Route 31. With the rail transit, we would probably have circulator buses that tie directly into the rail stations at Aloha Stadium and Middle Street, allowing a transfer to a rapid rail system that provides direct airport access. 3) Regarding the graffiti and rubbish at the bus stop at Wanaka Street and Puu Mauka Drive, the Public Transit Division of DTS, will defer to the April Meeting due to further investigation in conjunction with the City's Facility Maintenance Department and the Oahu Transit Services, Inc., to discuss the painting and rubbish concerns. 4) Regarding the City putting up "no parking" signs near the military housing fence

on Salt Lake Boulevard, DTS will defer to the April meeting to determine whether the jurisdiction is under the City or the military. 5) DTS response from Director Wayne Yoshioka: I'm not sure that I ever said that I would "fast track" the completion of Salt Lake Boulevard. We have certainly worked with the Salt Lake community and Neighborhood Board and have included construction funds in the new 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Environmental clearance and design funds have already been appropriated and procurement of a consultant for the environmental clearance is underway. The Department of Design and Construction (DDC) will be attending the Neighborhood Board meeting tonight and doing a presentation on Salt Lake Boulevard. 6) Regarding the removal of an old electrical line that remained after a street light was fixed on Ala Aloalo Street, the City Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) has been notified of the street light.

Comments followed: 1) A Board member asked when the planning for airport access will start. 2) The Arizona Road grass was cut. 3) A suggestion was made to put a berm in on Salt Lake Boulevard at Maluna Street, as the dangerous lanes narrow. 4) A Board member requested an update on the Salt Lake Boulevard vines.

Honolulu Rail Transit Project (H RTP) - Pat Lee reported: 1) Airport access has already started and he distributed a map with the 2030 bus routes. As to the estimates of time to take the bus from Salt Lake to the airport, the DTS will work on it as each station opens, then the buses will start. There will be parking at four stops, as people will not walk, but will drive and park. When the City finishes the Salt Lake Boulevard Widening Project (SLBWP), it will aid the transit system.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Councilmember Romy Cachola - Sharleen Oshiro reported: 1) Councilmember Cachola's newsletter gave some background for the SLBWP presentation tonight. 2) The City Council is working on the City Budget. 3) The next Aloha 'Aina Earth Day will be Saturday, March 20 at Farrington High School from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

State Senator Norman Sakamoto - Phil McInnis distributed Senator Sakamoto's newsletter and reported: 1) Senate Bill (SB) 2124, SD 2, Hurricane Relief Fund to restore furlough Fridays instructional days, was going to the House. Negotiations between the unions and the State are ongoing. 2) McInnis highlighted - Town Hall meeting, hosted by Senator Sakamoto and Representative Wakai, on Tuesday, March 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Salt Lake Elementary School cafeteria and Traffic and Transportation, hosted by Aiea and Pearl City Legislators, Thursday, March 18, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Pearl Ridge Elementary School cafeteria.

State Representative Lynn Finnegan - Aaron Johanson reported: 1) The legislative session is about 1/2 through. Bills have crossed over to the Senate. There are many budget bills with cuts. The Council of Revenues predicted continued decrease in revenues. 2) Representative Finnegan's newsletter highlighted bills, regarding tax increases, the budget, educational reform, good government, and health and safety.

Comments followed: 1) A Board member mentioned that people were forced to put into the Hurricane Relief Fund (HRF) and the State should refund the people who paid into it. The HRF was set up to use in case of emergencies. The Council of Revenues forecasts a decrease of 2.5% for 2010, but an increase of 6% for 2011. Representative Finnegan, on the House Finance Committee, wants to increase revenues.

State Representative Glenn Wakai and Linda Ichiyama reported: 1) Representative Wakai and Senator Sakamoto will be hosting a town hall meeting on Tuesday, March 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Salt Lake Elementary School cafeteria. 2) Regarding the Tsunami Alert sirens on Saturday, February 27, there were two malfunctions in the area. 3) Instead of furlough Fridays, Representative Wakai has "fantastic Fridays," where he gets student involved with the community. The next "fantastic Friday" will be tomorrow. 4) The Legislature cut \$600 million or 21% of the budget, including \$45 million from the Department of Education (DOE), which will affect bus service and food services. Legislators may not increase the General Excise Tax (GET), but increase the conveyance tax, lessen credits and increase taxes on liquor and cigarettes. 5) Representative Wakai's Three "A" Economic Plan is for aquaculture, aerospace and alternative energy. An example is the \$1.2 billion Big Island telescope. Hawai'i should be investing in these.

#### RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

Stadium Mall Incident - A mother's son and nephew were mugged at the Stadium Mall, while they were walking to the bus stop, on Saturday night, February 20, at 7:30 p.m. Six to ten Filipino boys robbed the victims of an iPod and their shoes. They were beaten with pipes. At the hospital, the victims were not taken seriously by the HPD.

Comments followed: Maj. Chur will follow up with Pearl City HPD. In Kalihi they put resources in problem areas. Stadium Mall Shopping Center hires private security, which could do a better job. Other suggestions offered were that parents should get more involved with their kids and that the State should put in more lighting across the street from McDonald's. The parent added that it was the first time the boys visited the Ice Palace. Chair Morita will also look into it.

Candidates Forum for House District 31 - As State Senator Norman Sakamoto is running for Lt. Governor, State Representative Glenn Wakai will run for Senator Sakamoto's seat. Anosh Yaqoob, Linda Ichiyama, Ryan Toyomura and Rocky Rockwell may run for Representative Wakai's seat in House District 31. As the filling deadline is in July and the Primary Election is in September, the Board, which usually recesses in August each year, may vote to have the Candidates Forum at the August 12 meeting.

BOARD BUSINESS:

"Fast tracking' of the Salt Lake Boulevard Widening Project" Resolution - The following resolution was offered:

**RESOLUTION**

URGING THE CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU'S DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION TO FAST-TRACK THE PLANNING AND DESIGN WORK NEEDED FOR PHASE III OF THE SALT LAKE BOULEVARD WIDENING PROJECT, FROM MALUNA STREET TO ALA LILIKOI STREET.

WHEREAS, residents in Salt Lake, Aliamanu, Foster Village, Halawa and surrounding communities have waited for years for the completion of the Salt Lake Boulevard (SLB) Widening Project). The City originally promised to complete the project by 1983. Unfortunately, there have been numerous delays and broken promises throughout the long history of the SLB Widening Project.

WHEREAS, most recently, construction of Phase 2A of the SLB Widening Project, from Bougainville Drive to Maluna Street, was completed in August 2005 and opened to traffic. The City next hired a planning consultant to prepare the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) documents and the Environmental Assessment (EA), as well as to work with the U.S. Navy on land acquisition and other concerns. The estimated completion date of the planning effort, which included the EA, was at the end of 2008. However, the project unexpectedly came to a halt in May 2006. Upon learning of the work stoppage due to the need for additional money to complete the NEPA and EA work, Councilmember Romy Cachola successfully submitted an amendment to the City's Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Capital Budget to include \$500,000 in additional planning funds for the SLB Widening Project, which was approved by the City Council on June 7, 2006.

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2006, the Council voted 9-0 to adopt Resolution 06-362, FD1 which approves the City's list of candidate projects for consideration in the Fiscal Years 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) document. Phase III of the SLB Widening Project was included in the list of candidate projects.

WHEREAS, in a letter to former Council Chair Barbara Marshall dated May 9, 2007, the City administration through Department of Transportation Services (DTS) director Melvin Kaku, proposed deferring construction money in the 2008-2011 TIP for the SLB Widening Project, due to a scheduling conflict with the fixed rail project. DTS wanted to defer construction money in the 2008-2011 TIP until final design of the fixed guideway system was completed. The community was told that it would be sensible to include the SLB Widening Project in the TIP only after the impact of the fixed guideway alignment's plan and design in the Salt Lake area were finalized and an effect on any future widening plans and designs were identified.

WHEREAS, in a letter to Councilmember Cachola dated June 15, 2007, the City administration through Department of Design & Construction (DDC) director Eugene Lee stated that the department suspended further work on the SLB Widening Project until details of the fixed rail transit project could be more clearly defined. He further stated that it does not make sense to expend millions of taxpayer monies on road improvements that may have to be removed or significantly modified.

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2007, the Council's Transportation Committee reported Resolution 07-206 out for adoption, which amended the City's list of Candidate Projects for consideration in the Fiscal Years 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program. In the accompanying Committee Report No. 245, it was stated that "should the construction of the rail project not proceed as anticipated, it is the intent of your committee that the SLB Widening Project be given full and fair consideration in the City's succeeding TIP."

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2007, the full Council voted 8-1 to adopt Resolution 07-206, which removed the SLB Widening Project from the 2008-2011 TIP document. The resolution was passed with a strong commitment

by the City administration and the City Council to place the SLB Widening Project onto the succeeding 2011-2014 TIP.

WHEREAS, adding insult to injury, the full Council, on January 28, 2009, amended the rail transit route from Salt Lake Boulevard to the airport via Resolution 08-261, which was co-introduced by Councilmembers Charles Djou and Todd Apo. The resolution passed by a 6-2 vote.

WHEREAS, to keep the project moving forward, Councilmember Cachola worked with Budget Committee chair Councilmember Nestor Garcia to provide \$6 million in the City's 2009-2010 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget for planning and design for the SLB Widening Project. This budget was approved by the City Council on June 10, 2009.

WHEREAS, when O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) issued a call for projects for the 2011-2014 TIP document, neighborhood board members and community leaders testified at the OMPO Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on June 17, 2009. At that meeting, neighborhood board member Rachel Glanstein requested that the SLB Widening Project be added to the CAC's "Recommendations for the FYs 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)." The CAC took into consideration the \$6 million in funds for the plans and design, voted to add the project to the FYs 2011-2014 TIP and transmitted the addendum to OMPO's Policy Committee for consideration.

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2009, OMPO's Policy Committee acknowledged receipt of the amended CAC Recommendations for the FYs 2011-2014 TIP and voted unanimously to transmit the recommendations to the State Department of Transportation (DOT) and DTS for their consideration.

WHEREAS, upon learning that the SLB Widening Project was not included in the list of candidate projects for the FY 2011-2014 TIP document via Resolution 10-26, neighborhood board members and community leaders once again testified at a Transportation Committee meeting held on February 11, 2010. Committee members deferred action on Resolution 10-26 to give the administration more time to review the 2011-2014 TIP document. DTS director Wayne Yoshioka stated that a consultant has not yet been hired to do the planning and design for the final phase of the SLB Widening Project, despite the \$6 million budgeted for last June 2009 in the City's 2009-2010 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) budget.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that members of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 as well as residents and community leaders believe that Salt Lake Boulevard (SLB) is a very important artery in the over-all traffic scheme of Oahu. A fully widened and developed Salt Lake Boulevard can serve as a viable alternate route into Honolulu's urban core. Many motorists elect to use Salt Lake Boulevard as an alternate route into town and back to the Leeward area whenever traffic is backed up on H-1 and/or the airport viaduct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SLB Widening Project, Phase III, be given top priority because of its importance to not only residents of Council District VII and also to residents islandwide. It simply does not make sense for the City to spend tens of millions of dollars to widen the Ewa-side of Salt Lake Boulevard near Radford High School as well as the Diamond Head end near Puuloa Road, only to leave the remaining one-mile middle section unwidened and undeveloped.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that members of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18, residents and community leaders urge the City administration, the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Transportation Services (DTS) and the Department of Design & Construction (DDC) to fast-track the planning and design work needed for Phase III of the Salt Lake Boulevard Widening Project, from Maluna Street to Ala Liliroi Street in time for the project to be placed onto the 2011-2014 TIP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that representatives from DTS and DDC provide monthly updates for members of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 on the status of the SLB Widening Project.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hannemann, DTS director Wayne Yoshioka and DDC director Craig Nishimura, Council Chair Todd Apo and all City Councilmembers.

Glanstein moved; Godfrey seconded that the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 adopt the "fast tracking" resolution. **The motion was ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT 8-0-0 (AYE: Baird, Glanstein, Godfrey, Kanemaru, Morita, Pepper, Troegner and Yomes).**

Salt Lake Boulevard Widening Project (SLBWP) Update - Director Craig Nishimura of the City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) presented Phase 3, from Maluna Street to Ala Liliroi Street. There may be two years for the environmental assessment and two years for design, which would cost \$2 1/2 to \$3 million of the \$60 million project. There will be many challenges, drainage problems and permitting challenges. Regarding the selection process, negotiations for design will take three to six months (by July) and cost \$6 million. They already have the design person on board. Then, there will be the acquisition of properties and alignment problems

due to large slopes and gas pipes on the mauka side. They will get \$22 million from the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The design funds have been encumbered from \$6 million appropriated. Also, they have to locate underground utilities and dig them up. They want to combine design and assessment. They cannot use the old plans from the 1970s, as there are new people on board and new underground utilities were put in. The parent design was supposed to be six lanes with two parking lanes. The project must be put back on the TIP and Phase 3 may take 20 years. Earliest construction start would be in 2014.

Comments followed: 1) A suggestion was offered to request the military and the State for the funds to get the job done. 2) The Board requested updates periodically. 3) Regarding the Ala Lilikoi Street repaving, the contractor "ran out of money."

Request to have a Governor's Representative to attend Neighborhood Board No. 18 Meetings - Neighborhood Assistant Ho will follow up with Charen Ching of the Governor's Liaison Office.

Discussion on videotaping of board meetings - The high school students stop videotaping at 9:00 p.m. As Olelo cut work hours, the high school students must leave early to return the equipment. Next meeting, the Board may discuss returning to the annual newsletter.

City Department of Transportation Services: 1) Study to make Wanaka Street one way from Salt Lake Boulevard, going mauka. 2) Study to make one way streets for the following (Aliamanu-side of Wanaka and Likini Streets): A) Puuku Mauka Drive - one way from Pearl City to Diamond Head. B) Puuku Makai Drive - one way from Diamond Head to Pearl City. C) Aliamanu Street - one way from Pearl City to Diamond Head. D) Likini Street - one way from Diamond Head to Pearl City. 3) Removal of utility line from City & County of Honolulu light pole on across of 1142 Aloalo Street.

Mayor's representative Sagisi will ask DTS Director Wayne Yoshioka to come to the next meeting.

Study fireworks enforcement of illegal and home-made fireworks in Salt Lake, Aliamanu, and Foster Village - This item will be deferred to the next meeting.

Bulky Items Pickup concerns - Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 Resolution. As Environment Emphasis Leader Dennis Egge was not present, this item will be deferred to the next meeting.

#### REPORTS:

Chairman's Report - No report.

#### Correspondence

- 1) Delta Airlines Request for Liquor License at the Honolulu International Airport.
- 2) Letter by Representative K. Mark Takai re: Halawa Stream Bridgework Project.

Approval of February 11, 2010 regular meeting minutes - **As there were no objections, the February 11, 2010 regular meeting minutes were APPROVED as circulated by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 8-0-0 (AYE: Baird, Glanstein, Godfrey, Kanemaru, Morita, Pepper, Troegner, and Yomes).**

Treasurer's Report - Troegner reported that the Previous Balance was \$2,843.13; \$1,063.04 was expended for current expenses, leaving a balance of \$1,780.09. The Operating Balance was \$843.13. With \$63.04 in expenditures for the printing and mailing of the agenda and minutes, the Operating Balance was \$780.09. With \$1,000.00 expended for videotaping, the Publicity Balance was \$1,000.00. The Treasurer's report was filed.

#### Committees

Transportation (bus/rail transit) - Larry Baird reported that the State Department of Transportation (DOT) was relining the intersection near the Stadium Mall. Chair Morita gave Baird a "Pedestrian Safety" letter.

Environment, Emergency Preparedness, Zoning/Planning, Police/Fire, Senior Citizens, Graffiti and Permitted Interaction Groups (Neighborhood Board Boundaries) - No report.

Legislative - Rachel Glanstein had a written report: LEGISLATIVE EMPHASIS REPORT  
State Legislature Items of Interest

(1) Education - Senate Bill 2124 (SB 2124) would appropriate \$50 million from the Hawaii Hurricane Relief Fund for the purpose of restoring instruction on Furlough Fridays this school year, contingent upon a negotiated agreement between all parties involved.

(2) Fireworks - There are still some fireworks bills pending to regulate fireworks, and seem to focus on: (a) enforcing the rules relating to illegal fireworks importation; (b) allowing the counties to enact their own rules; (c) adjusting permit fees; (d) increasing violation fines; and (e) implementing methods to abate the illegal purchase, selling, etc., of fireworks.

(3) Gambling - House Bill 2251, which would establish a gaming commission in Hawaii, did not make it out of committee. It's still up for discussion if the benefits of allowing gambling outweigh the risks.

(4) Neighborhood Boards - House Concurrent Resolution 111 urges the City Council to review the purpose and effectiveness of the Neighborhood Board system, and was referred to the Judiciary Committee on March 3, 2010. This resolution will be monitored.

City Council Items of Interest

(1) Budget - It's budget time in the City Council, which means that's the main topic of discussion at the March meetings.

(2) Resolution 10-26 - Resolution 10-26 is the Fiscal Year 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which is Honolulu's list of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) projects for consideration in the Federal Fiscal Years 2011-2014. An amendment was proposed at the March 4, 2010 Transportation Committee meeting to: (a) adjust the funding schedule for Makakilo Drive Extension; (b) add funding for Salt Lake Boulevard Widening; and (c) specify the project description of the West Oahu traffic improvements at various locations - it's unclear whether these amendments were adopted.

Any Bills of Interest to the NB#18 Area and its Residents

Please email Rachel at rachel.nb@gmail.com, if there are legislative items that you want more information about.

Glanstein added that House Concurrent Resolution 111, relating to review of the Neighborhood Board system, was introduced and that the City Council was also reviewing the Neighborhood Boards budget.

O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) - Lorene Godfrey reported the February meeting was about Bus Transit and riders with disabilities. She will submit a written report next time. There are a lot of bus and Handivan riders and they are looking at installing GPS devices. The City is buying new hybrid buses. The next meeting will be on next Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at Honolulu Hale and the Honolulu Rail Transit Project (HRTP) update will be presented by Managing Director Kirk Caldwell.

Parks/Recreation - Len Pepper reported that the repair of the showers at Salt Lake District Park swimming pool is taking longer than expected due to the budget. Supervisor Rosalind Young is working well, but it is the budgeting system. She is unable to identify the \$5,000 funding source. Pepper will follow up on if funds can come from the private sector.

Education/Military - Barbara Troegner had a written report: Summer school sessions -  
Radford High School June 7 - July 8  
Registration Sat. April 10 @ RHS office  
For more information, call RHS @ 421-4208

Moanalua High School June 2 - July 7  
Registration March 15 online or MoHS office  
For more information, call MoHS @ 837-8455

Health/Human Services - Chandra Kanemaru reported: 1) The AARP will be having a march from Honolulu Hale and rally at the State Capitol on March 24. They will highlight funding for kapuna programs. 2) The U.S. Census 2010 will be mailing out forms soon. Kanemaru stressed the importance of the data that will be collected. 3) There will be a huge Career Fair for the Pearl Harbor Shipyard. She has more information.

Kamehameha Highway Task Force - Maurice Morita reported that the next meeting will be in May.

Future Agenda Items - 1) A Board member requested of the videographers - How is the money being spent?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The regular timeslot for the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 broadcasts is Saturdays at 12:00 noon, 'Olelo Channel 54.
- Regarding Bougainville Drive, the State Department of Transportation (DOT) fixed road.
- The U.S. Census Bureau is in need of people on O'ahu to work 6 - 8 weeks. For further information, 1-866-861-2010 or visit [www.2010censusjobs.gov](http://www.2010censusjobs.gov).
- The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 8, 2010, at Aliamanu Middle School cafeteria at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Submitted by:  
K. Russell Ho  
Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:  
Barbara Troegner  
Secretary  
and Maurice Morita  
Chair