



KULI'OU'OU/KALANI IKI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 2

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2012 'AINA HAINA PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: Secretary Heather Lum called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with **a quorum of 9 members present**. Note – This 17-member Board requires nine (9) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Members Present – Chris Baron, Bernie Boltz (arrived at 7:09 p.m.), Jay Campbell, Lisa Iwata, Peter Kay, Heather Lum, Kevin Mulkern, Phil Sharp, Sherry Spangler, Linda Starr, (arrived 7:37 p.m.) and Joseph Young.

Members Absent – Paula Carroll, William KiLcoyne, Ed Schell, and Mel Yap.

Vacancies – There is one (1) seat vacant in both Subdistrict 6 and in Subdistrict 7.

Guests – Representative Barbara Marumoto, Representative Mark Hashem, Councilmember Stanley Chang and Michael Leong (Councilmember Chang's Office staff), Kai Nani Kraut (Mayor Peter Carlisle's Representative), Officer Celine Aiu (Honolulu Police Department), Acting Captain Kahekili Kealoha (Honolulu Fire Department), Jeannine Johnson, Jeremy Low, Art Mori, Kimo Franklin (Malama Maunaloa), Sean Ajimine, Dave Nattress, Dennis Enonoko, and Adam LeFebvre (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Kay moved and Sharp seconded that the Board pass a resolution acknowledging and recognizing Barbara Marumoto for her dedication to our communities, for her exceptional contributions and outstanding efforts, and her exemplary 34 years of public service to the people of Hawaii with honor and integrity. **The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 9-0-0 (AYES:** Baron, Campbell, Iwata, Kay, Lum, Mulkern, Sharp, Spangler and Young.)

PUBLIC SAFETY INPUT:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Acting Captain Kahekili Kealoha provided the following report:

- **September 2012 Statistics** – There was 1 wildland fire, 60 medical emergencies, 3 search and rescues and 9 miscellaneous calls.
- **Fire Safety Tip** – The week in which October 9 falls marks the annual Fire Prevention Week, which observes the anniversary of the 1922 Chicago Fire. Children in schools receive a fire safety guide and are encouraged to review fire safety with their parents. Residents were encouraged to test their smoke alarms and perform other fire safety practices.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Officer Celine Aiu provided the following report:

- **August 2012 Statistics** – There were 3 burglaries, 14 thefts, and 8 thefts from a vehicle.
- **Halloween Safety Tips** – A number of tips for Halloween Safety were provided in the report.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Crime Trends** – It is difficult to determine if there are any crime trends for the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki area, but Officer Aiu will follow up.
2. **Arrests** – It was requested that examples of successful arrests be included in the HPD report.

Boltz arrived at 7:09 p.m.; **10 members present**.

ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR: Phil Sharp proceeded to read a letter from Vice Chair J. Ed Schell, in which he declined any potential nomination for Chair, and endorsed the election of Peter Kay for the position. Sharp nominated Peter Kay for the position of Chair.



Questions, comments and concerns followed: Endorsements – Jeanine Johnson noted that Wayson Chow and the Niu Valley Community Association have expressed their support for Peter Kay filling the position of Chair.

Joe moved and Baron seconded to close nominations. **The motion was ADOPTED 9-0-1 (AYE: Baron, Boltz, Campbell, Iwata, Lum, Mulkern, Sharp, Spangler and Young; NAYS: None; ABS: Kay.) Peter Kay became the Board's Chair by ACCLAMATION.**

Secretary Lum relinquished the gavel to Chair Kay at this time.

CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

New Direction – Chair Kay announced that he would upgrade the Board to the digital age, putting a focus on digital handouts, social media and web design. Kay thanked the Board for this opportunity.

Bob Chuck – Chair Chuck has resigned from the Board due to health conditions. It was suggested having a Board resolution honoring him for his past service at the next Board meeting.

Paiko Ridge – The effort for the preservation of Paiko Ridge has been awarded \$3.5 million from the Clean Water and Natural Land Commission. Jeanine Johnson noted that the amount is insufficient to purchase the property, but it is a great start.

'Aina Haina Public Library Anniversary – The anniversary celebration will be held on October 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the 'Aina Haina Public Library. There will be a number of family-friendly events including a performance by the Niu Valley Middle School marching band.

VACANCIES – There were no volunteers to fill the two (2) vacant positions in Subdistricts 6 and 7. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

As there were no objections, the agenda was taken out of order to hear the presentation concerning the proposed project by Advanced Health Care.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Presentation from Advanced Health Care – Dennis Inamoto and Dave Nattress provided a presentation on the proposed construction of a short-term rehabilitation center at 5415 Kalaniana'ole Highway by Advanced Health Care. They have been looking for a location on O'ahu to build a facility for close to 5 years, and they have finally found one that suits their needs. There are a number of similar facilities on the Mainland that provide private and comfortable rooms to patients in need of short term rehabilitative care after surgery. There is no other facility on O'ahu that provides the kind of personalized care and service that would be offered at this facility. This model has functioned very effectively on the mainland. Advanced Health Care is very conscious of its neighbors and tries to be a good partner with the community. They offer five (5) times as much parking as is legally required so that parking will not overflow onto the surrounding streets. Nattress opened for community feedback and concerns.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Community Involvement – Nattress was praised for taking the initiative to come before the community.
2. Potential Competition – The proposed facility would not be in competition with the Hawaii Kai retirement community as the Advanced Health Care facility will only offer short-term nursing care, up to a maximum of 100 days.
3. Residential Parcel – The proposed facility would be built on a residentially-zoned parcel (R-10). The use of the old Jehovah's Witness building was suggested, but the proposed facility can not be built on commercially zoned land because people are living in the facility for the duration of their service. Advanced Health Care would need to build the facility on residentially-zoned property and apply for a Conditional Use Permit. The area in question is ideal for the promotion of healing. Concern was raised that the construction of a commercial facility in a residential zone would encourage other commercial development in the area. A significant effort has been put into trying to find a suitable property for the facility that would effectively suit the needs of Advanced Health Care and the patients.

Linda Starr arrived at 7:37 p.m.; **11 members present.**

4. Similar Facility – There is a similar instance of a nursing home being built in a commercial zone on Summer Street, and it was recommended talking with the surrounding homes to ascertain how the development has affected their daily lives.
5. 'Aina Haina Community Association (AHCA) – AHCA has traditionally opposed business use on commercial property, and it was noted that the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood No. 2 traditionally sides with the opinion of AHCA. It was recommended that Advanced Health Care meets with AHCA to come to an understanding, and AHCA will report back to the Board.
6. Private Rooms – Typically, Medicaid recipients are entitled to semi-private rooms with removable dividers placed between beds. In the proposed facility, each patient will have their own room, with cots being provided for family members who wish to stay over-night. Patients will have a choice of meals, and a menu was distributed to residents to view.
7. Nature of the Presentation – The Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) does not require community approval for development as this is a legal use of the land in question. The presentation is informational, and Advanced Health Care is trying to be a good member of the community.

The order of the agenda was resumed.

RESIDENTS' CONCERNS:

Malama Maunalua – Kimo Franklin requested volunteers from the community to help Malama Maunalua with its various projects and cleanup efforts across the island. All of the projects are related to improving the health of Maunalua Bay, and include improving irrigation ditches, canals, and limiting water runoff by developing water catchment systems and water barrels. Malama Maunalua is responsible for creating a “rain garden” at Kaiser High School, which has served as a valuable educational opportunity. Booklets containing watershed management practices were distributed to the community.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Digital Upgrade – Chair Kay requested that future handouts be made available digitally.
2. 'Aina Haina Elementary School – Franklin will conduct a water assessment at the school.
3. Stream Bed Misuse – There have been reports of residents using stream beds as green-waste dumps. Better education and community outreach programs will help to address this concern. Whatever goes into the canal will have to be removed from the canal eventually.
4. Native Hawaiian Plants – Some native plants require attention, and it is a common misconception that these plants can manage themselves because they are indigenous.
5. Stream Cleaning – A number of Board members attended a recent stream cleaning, and residents were encouraged to invite friends and neighbors in the hopes that the movement will grow.
6. Graffiti Cleanup – It was asked if the graffiti in canals can be managed during canal cleanups. It would be possible if more people would volunteer. More information can be found at www.malamamaunalua.org.

CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mayor Peter Carlisle's Representative – Kai Nani Kraut, Deputy Director of the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS), reported the following:

- Feral Chicken – The City has a new contract with Animal Haven to deal with feral chickens and crowing roosters. Residents were encouraged to call 799-7791 if they have any of these troublesome neighbors.
- Honolulu 311 – Residents were encouraged to download the app “Honolulu 311” to report broken street lights or other issues. To report potholes, call 768-7777.
- 'Ainakoa Street Contra-Flow – The start-time for construction has been moved back to 9:00 a.m. to minimize contra-flow traffic. The project dates back to 2009, and was unanimously approved by the Wai'alaie Neighborhood Board No. 3.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Street Lights – A faulty street light was reported at 5383 Opihi Street.
2. Extension Chord Jumpers – Work will begin in July 2013 on the jumpers between Lawelawe Street and West Hind Drive.

3. 'Ainakoa Street Construction – It was asked if the construction workers can be told how to effectively get to the construction site without disrupting the surrounding community, and also where to set up a staging area while they wait for construction to begin in the morning. The project is planned to start the week of October 15, 2012.
4. Contra-Flow Light – The contra-flow light was reported to be blinking at night, when it should be only blinking in the morning.
5. Contract – Parson Brinkerhoff won the contract for the construction project.
6. 'Aina Haina Park – The halekoa trees at the park have become overgrown and could use maintenance.
7. Laukahi Street – The original striping needs to be removed and the new striping needs to be re-painted.
8. Kuli'ou'ou Road – The cars parked on both sides of the street have limited the traffic traveling through the area. The cars serve as a traffic calming measure, and community sentiment is equally split between slowing down traffic by maintaining parking on both sides of the street and speeding up traffic by no longer allowing parking on one side of the street. DTS requires a majority of community opinion before taking action. The extra parking was also noted to be valuable for visitors to the area.
9. Intersection of Kalaniana'ole Highway and Kaimoku Place – The traffic light at this intersection could benefit from better sensors, or utilize a timing change between rush hour traffic and regular traffic.
10. Niu Valley Sidewalk – There is a sidewalk beside the park in Niu Valley that has become covered in dirt, which is likely the result of a washout.
11. Digital Upgrade – Digital copies of the handouts were requested.

Councilmember Stanley Chang – Councilmember Stanley Chang distributed his monthly newsletter and highlighted the following:

- Chair Kay – Congratulations were extended to the newly elected Chair.
- Bob Chuck – Councilmember Chang recommended that Bob Chuck be honored at the next meeting. A certificate of recognition will be prepared.
- 'Aina Haina Elementary School – The City Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS) received a proposal for the use of the adjacent remnant parcel, but no decision has been made yet. Councilmember Chang will continue to work on resolving this issue.
- Kawamoto Art Museum – A response letter from the “museum” was provided in the newsletter.
- Kuli'ou'ou Neighborhood Park – The chain securing the park has been repaired.
- Kathy Ireland – The fines on the illegal business (which have accrued to \$78,750 as of October 3, 2012) have been determined to be ineffective. Councilmember Chang will keep the Board updated.
- Kalaniana'ole Sewer Bypass Project – The project started at the beginning of October 2012.
- Paiko Ridge – The Paiko Ridge preservation effort received a grant of \$3.5 million from the Clean Water and Natural Lands division. Councilmember Chang's office will continue to fight to preserve the ridge.
- Adopt-a-School Day – An invitation was on the back of the newsletter asking for 10 volunteers to help with Jefferson Elementary School's monthly community gardening day on October 20, 2012.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Kawamoto Letter – The letter included in the back of Councilmember Chang's newsletter was dated January 20, 2012. A copy of the response from the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) was requested.
2. Blighted Properties – Councilmember Chang's office is working on a bill based on Virginia legislature which would allow the City to do maintenance on blighted properties and send the bill to the landowner.
3. Satellite City Hall – It was recommended that a satellite City Hall be installed in the Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall. It would be an ideal location for East Honolulu and could include auxiliary HPD headquarters and motor vehicle licensing.
4. Pig Hunting – Information pertaining to the laws regarding pig hunting on O'ahu were requested, as well as pertinent law enforcement records.
5. Kuhio Mini Park – Councilmember Chang was commended for his effort on the creation of a mini-park on a blighted lot in Waikiki, and it was asked if a similar project could take place in 'Aina Haina. It was noted that the lot in Waikiki was a fairly unique case.
6. Niu Valley Playground – Residents expressed concern over the City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) bidding delays, which may cause a \$1,500 grant to be revoked. It was requested that the playground go out to bid as soon as possible.

STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Governor Neil Abercrombie's Representative – Representative Hashem distributed the Governor's report and he was open for questions.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Medicare – It was noted that the benefits of the Medicare package with required enrollment for seniors doesn't have as good benefits as private insurance. It was noted that healthcare for seniors in general tends to have fewer benefits and cost more than insurance for younger adults.

Senator Sam Slom – Senator Slom was not present, but his monthly newsletter was distributed.

Representative Barbara Marumoto – Representative Marumoto was not present at this point in the meeting.

BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY (BWS): Scot Muraoka provided the following report:

- Water Main Breaks – There were two (2) main breaks in September, 2012.
- Watershed Management Plan – BWS is drafting Water Use Plans for each district on O'ahu. The Ko'olaupoko district plan has been approved, and East Honolulu will be approved last. Visit www.boardofwatersupply.com for more information.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Priority List – The districts are prioritized by water use, and East Honolulu is last because it uses the least amount of water.
2. Water Main Replacement – This has become a major priority for BWS which manages 2,100 miles of underground pipelines. BWS is hoping to replace 15-20 miles of pipeline per year, which costs an estimated \$2 million per mile.
3. Additional Reservoir – BWS is planning on installing an additional reservoir in 'Aina Haina to supplement the current reservoir, which is over 50 years old. Reservoirs were noted to be very important in the event of an emergency as pumps will not work during a power outage.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Kay moved and Spangler seconded that the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 approve the September 6, 2012 regular meeting minutes as circulated. The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 11-0-0 (AYES: Baron, Boltz, Campbell, Iwata, Kay, Lum, Mulkern, Spangler, Sharp, and Young).

TREASURER'S REPORT: This item was deferred to the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Submitted by:
Adam LeFebvre, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:
K. Russell Ho, Neighborhood Assistant
Heather Lum, Secretary and Peter Kay, Chairperson

Resolution Recognizing Barbara Marumoto

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has represented the Kaimukī, Kāhala, Wai'alaie area in the Hawai'i House of Representatives with distinction since 1978. Before beginning her legislative service, Barbara Marumoto was elected to the 1978 Hawai'i Constitutional Convention. She is one of the most senior members of the House and has served on many key legislative committees, including House Finance, Judiciary, and Consumer Protection and Commerce.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto focused her legislative efforts on pocket-book issues, such as taxation, business climate improvement, worker's compensation reform, and economic development.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto lead the effort to keep children safe by mandating helmets on recreational vehicles and prohibiting children under 13 from riding in pickup truck beds, increasing child car seat usage and instituting a tax credit for the purchase of child passenger restraint systems.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has made our communities safer by introducing the first bill calling for DNA testing of all convicted felons, by drafting or supporting bills which gave police the tools they needed to quickly arrest drug dealers as well as tougher laws to keep them in jail after their arrest.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has been a strong proponent of Adult and Community Education programs as well as improving our public schools. She served on the Joint Special Investigative Committee on Felix Consent Decree and was appointed by President Reagan to the Intergovernmental Advisory Council on Education in 1982.

WHEREAS, besides serving on numerous House Committees during her many years of service, Barbara Marumoto has served as House Minority Leader, as Past President of The Women's Network of the National Conference of State Legislatures, Treasurer of a national women's legislative organization, Women in Government (WIG) and been appointed to several Federal committees including the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in 2001.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has received numerous awards, including the Presidential Leadership Award by the Women Government Coalition, Women in Communication's Honolulu Headliner Award in 1985, Legislator of the Year in 1992 by the National Republican Legislators Association, in 1994 as an Outstanding Woman Leader-Public Sector by the Organization of Woman Leaders, Hawai'i Women Lawyers' Presidents' Award in 2006, Select Committee on Standards of Conduct in 2008, Legislator of the Year in 2009 by the Hawai'i Medical Association for her assistance for better health care for the people of Hawai'i, and in 2011 the Crime Fighters Award from the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (DNA) and Advocate for Arthritis Award from the Arthritis Foundation.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has been recognized by various organizations over the years such as the Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i, OWLS Outstanding Women Leader-Public Sector, and even the Department of the Army for her patriotic civilian service.

WHEREAS, Barbara Marumoto has been involved with numerous community groups over the years, including HUGS, Organization of Women Leaders, Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Kaimukī Business & Professional Association, Small Business Hawai'i, The Outdoor Circle, Junior League of Honolulu, Miss Hawaii Scholarship Program Development Committee, Kaimukī Lions Club, AARP, Japanese American Citizens League, Kāhala Community Association, Oahu YWCA, Wai'alaie Iki Ridge Community Association, UH College of Arts & Sciences Alumni Association, Kāhala Business Association, Historic Hawaii Foundation, and Friends of the Medical School.

WHEREAS, the Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2 has been fortunate to have Barbara Marumoto's steady presence for many years as she has worked exceptionally well with the Board, reporting to the Board in a very timely, pro-active manner.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2 that Barbara Marumoto be acknowledged and recognized for her dedication to our communities, for her exceptional contributions and outstanding efforts, and her exemplary 34 years of public service to the people of Hawai'i with honor and integrity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2 that it expresses its utmost appreciation and gratitude to Barbara Marumoto and collectively wishes to extend its sincere best wishes for every happiness in the future to her and her family.

Passed at the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board meeting of October 4, 2012 (9-0-0).