



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

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DRAFT – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2012 'AINA HAINA PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Peter Kay called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with **a quorum of 12 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 (arrived 7:39 p.m.), Bernie Boltz, Paula Carroll, Jay Campbell, Lisa Iwata, Peter Kay, William KiLcoyne, Heather Lum (arrived 7:02 p.m.), Kevin Mulkern, Ed Schell, Phil Sharp, Sherry Spangler (departed 8:51 p.m.), Linda Starr (arrived 7:02 p.m.), Mel Yap and Joseph Young.

Members Absent – None.

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

Guests – Senator Sam Slom, Michael Leong (Councilmember Stanley Chang's Office staff), Kai Nani Kraut (Mayor Peter Carlisle's Representative), Lieutenant Clinton Sukekane and Lieutenant Arthur Kurasaki (Honolulu Police Department), Captain Derek "Rip" Maurer (Honolulu Fire Department), Elizabeth Reilly (Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1), Paulette Tam, Mahealani Cypher, Jill Akana and Francine Gora (O'ahu Council), Art Mori and Wayson Chow ('Aina Haina Community Association), Dennis Enomoto, Dave Nattress and Sean Ajimisu (Advanced Health Care), Jeannine Johnson (Niu Valley Community Association), Jeanne Ohta, Lei Oakes, Anson Rego, and Adam LeFebvre (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

Informal Social Hour – Residents were invited to stay after the meeting and "talk story" with the Board members. Residents were advised to adhere to the "Sunshine Law" when discussing anything Board-related.

Malama Maunaloa Update – Various presentations are posted at <http://goo.gl/Efg5z>.

Board members Linda Starr and Heather Lum arrived at 7:02 p.m.; **14 members present**.

Livable Hawaii Kai Hui – There will be a clean-up and restoration project at the Hāwea Heiau and Keawawa Wetland the weekend of December 8, 2012. Residents were invited to help pulling weeds, weedwacking, and clearing vegetation to make room for native plants to flourish.

PUBLIC SAFETY INPUT:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Derek "Rip" Maurer provided the following report:

- **November 2012 Statistics** – November was noted to be relatively quiet, with only 45 medical calls, 2 accidents, 3 service calls, and 6 false alarms.
- **Fire Safety Tip** – Residents were advised to consider a flame resistant artificial Christmas tree this year. Residents were advised to use flame resistant decorations, and to be careful not to overload extension cords.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Gratitude** – Jeannine Johnson presented HFD with a gift along with her annual thanks for their rescue of her nephew several years ago. Captain Maurer noted that he had jobs in the past which paid better, but he had never had a job which provided a greater feeling of satisfaction.
2. **Christmas Tree Lights** – It was recommended that residents turn off their Christmas tree lights or set them to a timer when they are not present to enjoy them.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lieutenant Clinton Sukekane distributed a handout which detailed the monthly crime statistics and the safety tip of the month.



Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Honolulu Marathon – HPD will follow up on street closure times for the marathon.
2. Loss of Police Force – HPD is expected to lose 80 officers in 2013, but the Lieutenant Sukekane promised to continue to offer the best service possible.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Scot Muraoka provided the following report:

- Monthly Main Break Report – There were no main breaks in the area in November 2012.
- Annual Calendar – Muraoka distributed the BWS calendar, which included winners from drawing contests and coupons.
- It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas – Residents were invited to see the Christmas tree displays at BWS, Honolulu Hale or Kapolei Hale, and to see the City Parade in Kapolei.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Gratitude to BWS – BWS was thanked by the Board for their excellent and efficient handling of the road work where the H1 Freeway meets Kalaniana'ole Highway.
2. Water Main Replacement – BWS is receiving an increase in Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funding which will allow them to replace up to 10 miles of piping per year. The main break count has been steadily decreasing, but a significant amount of infrastructure needs to be added or replaced.
3. City Park Water Usage – The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) is in charge of handling City Park functions, but BWS advises them on matters pertaining to water usage. New facilities need to follow BWS approved guidelines, including automatic shutoff systems for showers and faucets.
4. New Billing System – Starting in January 2013, BWS will be moving from bi-monthly to monthly billing.

PRESENTATIONS:

O'ahu Ahupua'a Boundary Marker Signage Project – Mahealani Cypher described the project, which sets out to place markers at each of O'ahu's ahupua'a, which is meant to reconnect people with the *kuleana* and responsibility for Hawai'i's natural and cultural resources. A number of markers have already been put in place in Waianae and on the Windward side, thanks in part to a generous effort on behalf of the Atherton foundation. There are 6 *Moku*, or districts, on O'ahu. Kuli'ou'ou is in the Waikiki Ahupua'a in the Kona Moku. The circulated packet included a resolution. The wording of the resolution was read before the Board.

Schell moved and Campbell seconded that the Board adopt the resolution supporting the Ahupua'a Boundary Marker Project. The motion WAS ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 14-0-0 (AYE: Boltz, Carroll, Campbell, Iwata, Kay, KiLcoyne, Lum Mulkern, Schell, Sharp, Spangler, Starr, Yap and Young.)

Advanced Health Care (AHC) Corporation Update – Dennis Enomoto and Dave Nattress reported that they met with the 'Aina Haina Community Association (AHCA) on November 26, 2012. They didn't have a formal presentation, but were available to answer questions.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Kingdom Hall – It was recommended using the Jehovah's Witnesses' property, but it was deemed to be too small to facilitate AHC's needs.
2. Residential Height Restriction – AHC would abide by the residential height restriction of 25 feet if they decide to build the rehabilitation center in the proposed location. There are close to 600 regulations that would need to be followed if construction were to take place, and AHC intends to abide by each one.
3. Short Term Rehabilitation Facility – The facility would focus on short-term rehabilitative care for patients recovering from surgery.
4. Examples of the Facility – Interested residents were encouraged to look at AHC's website, www.ahcfacilities.com for examples of other facilities that they had built in the past. They have built 11

such facilities, and have worked with Neighborhood Organizations in every location. The Aurora facility was noted to be similar in design to what would be built in 'Aina Haina.

Board member Chris Baron arrived at 7:39 p.m.; **15 members present.**

5. Timeline – AHC's contract with the Outrigger Hotel allows for a one-year time frame to decide whether they want to move forward. The time frame allows for 2 to 3 month extensions. AHC has not yet decided if they are interested in pursuing the construction of a facility in 'Aina Haina. It was noted that AHC has looked at over 70 properties, but has only decided on 11 locations at which to build their facilities.
6. Transparency – AHC promised transparency in all of its future dealings with the State, City and community. Any apparent lack of transparency on their behalf is the result of the unavailability of the data in question. Nattress recommended contacting the community organizations that AHC had worked with previously to find out how well AHC works with the community. AHCA had asked AHC for their purchase agreement with the Outrigger hotel, but the hotel had concerns with passing on the document. Any documents will be made public to the community two weeks before going to the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) for approval. The formation of a Neighborhood Board Committee was suggested, headed by Linda Starr and Jay Campbell.
7. Demand – It was noted that there are a number of facilities which offer both long and short term rehabilitative care. AHC offers professional rehabilitation staff and a comfortable environment which stimulates wellness. Their research shows that, demographically, there is significant need for such a facility on O'ahu.
8. Future Meeting – AHC will attend the February 2013 Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki regular meeting with a full presentation. Residents were encouraged to bring questions and concerns.

RESIDENTS' CONCERNS:

Sea Wall Repairs – A sea wall at 146 Wailupe Circle is being repaired in Kuli'ou'ou which will help to retain the sand and dirt on the beach.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Improvement – The repair of the sea wall will benefit the surrounding property owners.

General Plan Draft Review – Elizabeth Reilly attended the City General Plan meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2012. On page 29 of the Draft O'ahu General Plan, there is language to suggest the inclusion of a rail system in Hawaii Kai, with Transit Oriented Development (TOD), providing rapid transportation and including exclusive right of way. Discussion of this issue will be added to the February 2013 agenda.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Kalaniana'ole Highway Medians – It was noted that the original purpose of the medians was to provide right of way for a potential rail system.
2. General Plan – DPP takes into consideration testimony from thousands of people in drafting the General Plan. The comments are listed on the DPP General Plan website, though it doesn't mention why some suggestions are followed and others are rejected. It was suggested creating a committee to track the progress of the General Plan.

CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

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

- General Plan – There will be another community meeting at 6:30 p.m. on January 14, 2013 at Castle High School. They will be accepting comments until April 14, 2013.
- Charging Stations – Six (6) electric vehicle charging stations at the Neal Blaisdell Center, the Honolulu Zoo and the City Parking Structure at Smith and Berentania Streets.
- Wai'alae Iki Playground – The Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is reviewing submittals on playground equipment and surfacing material. After approval, the contractor will order equipment and materials. Depending on the delivery date, the notice to proceed can be established.

- Niu Valley Playground – DDC is awaiting final comments from DPR. Once received, all comments will be sent to Niu Valley Community Group and to the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board for incorporation into the final drawing/bid set.
- 'Aina Haina Community Park – The Department of Budget and Financial Services (BFS) sent a response to Wayson Chow's concerns on August 27, 2012 after he had submitted a Freedom of Information Act Request, but some information was withheld on the grounds of interfering with government operation. BFS reported that they were interested in selling only the steepest part of the property adjacent to the park, and there have been several requests for the property by private parties. The 'Aina Haina Elementary school has announced its interest in the property as it needs more room for additional classrooms.
- Tsunami Evacuation Center – The Wailupe Community Park evacuation center was not opened because in a short or no-notice event, there may not be enough time to open all of the shelters. It was suggested giving the heads of the local community associations a key, as they may be able to respond more quickly in the event of an emergency. The Department of Emergency Management (DEM) is updating the regulations and the refuge maps.
- New Administration – This is Kraut's last meeting, as she is taking a job in the private sector. The Board will be assigned a new Mayor's representative.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Kai Nani Kraut – The Board wished Kraut good luck in the private sector.
2. Wai'alaie Iki Park Improvements – The improvements to the park are limited to the playground.
3. Sidewalk Clearing – The sidewalk in Niu Valley is still covered in dirt.
4. Trip Hazard – There is a trip hazard at 513 West Hind Drive where the City and County Street Light Division has broken up the sidewalk.
5. Extension Cord Jumpers – It was asked why, after seven (7) years, the extension cord jumpers on Lawelawe Street will not be repaired until July 2013.

Councilmember Stanley Chang – Michael Leong distributed Councilmember Chang's monthly newsletter and highlighted the following:

- Sidewalk Clearing – Councilmember Chang's office had received notification that the sidewalk in Niu Valley had been cleared.
- Waiele Traffic Light Timing – Leong will set Spangler up with a contact to resolve the timing issue.
- Late Refuse Pickup – The late pickup on the 800 block of Waiala Street has been assigned to the Department of Environmental Services (ENV).
- Waialae Tsunami Evacuation Center – Leong will follow up with DEM.
- Kathy Ireland Estates – Leong will follow up with the Department of Corporation Council (COR).
- Marathon Partnerships – Councilmember Chang will follow up by December 10, 2012.
- Happy Holidays – Leong wished residents a "Happy Holidays" on behalf of Councilmember Chang.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Littering – It was suggested more strict enforcement of the littering laws as a deterrent to potential violators. The 2013 City Council decision on the City parks smoking ban may help.

STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Governor Neil Abercrombie's Representative – No representative or report was available.

Senator Sam Slom – Senator Slom provided the following report:

- Solar Tax Credit – The Senate will have a hearing on Friday, December 7, 2012, and the public is invited to testify.
- University of Hawaii (UH) – Senator Slom sits on the Special Investigative Committee which is looking into the various financial issues at UH. He noted that the \$200,000 lost in the Stevie Wonder scandal is just the "tip of the iceberg," with a great number of financial discrepancies. Greater legislative oversight of the university's affairs is needed, as the taxpayers are being exploited with over \$1.5 million lost or mis-managed. The Senate will have to investigate the construction of the West O'ahu campus, as the buildings are being built late and sometimes not at all.

- Elections – Senator Slom attended and testified before the Office of Elections, but reported that the commissioners would only agree to form an internal investigative committee to find out what happened, but no action will take place.
- Economic Development Committee – Senator Slom will be the Vice Chair of this committee, under Donovan Dela Cruz. While Senator Slom is not changing his opinion on the Public Land Development Corporation (PLDC), he will work to find bipartisan solutions.
- Legislative Session – As the only Republican in the Senate, Senator Slom now sits on 17 committees, and is in need of part-time session workers and a full-time attorney. He is still accepting ideas for legislation that is important to the community.
- Emergency Preparedness – The State needs to decentralize emergency preparedness, with key roles being played by the communities. The recent tsunami event left a lot to be desired.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Legislative Session – Residents were invited to suggest legislation for Senator Slom to propose in the upcoming session.
2. Emergency Preparedness – There have been a number of lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy, especially in regards to the effect of power and internet outages. Businesses and individuals rely heavily on those mediums, and restoring them is top priority.
3. Solar Tax Credit – Residents can expect a reduction in the State tax credits, as the program has become too successful for the State to maintain. A number of residents have entered into contracts, which may be altered by the change in credit allowance. A final decision has not yet been made on the issue.

Board member Sherry Spangler departed at 8:51 p.m.; **14 members present.**

Representative Mark Hashem – No representative or report was available.

Board Business – This item was deferred to the next regular meeting.

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.

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 4 and NOVEMBER 1, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: **The Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 APPROVED the regular meeting minutes of October 4 and November 1, 2012 as circulated by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 14-0-0 (AYE: Baron, Boltz, Carroll, Campbell, Iwata, Kay, KiLcoyne, Lum Mulkern, Schell, Sharp, Starr, Yap and Young.)**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board spent \$29.89 in November on printing and postage, leaving a remaining balance of \$736.67. The report was filed.

Reimbursement – **The Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 approved the reimbursement of Heather Lum and Peter Kay for expenditures incurred purchasing leis honoring Barbara Marumoto and Bob Chuck by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 14-0-0 (AYE: Baron, Boltz, Carroll, Campbell, Iwata, Kay, KiLcoyne, Lum Mulkern, Schell, Sharp, Starr, Yap and Young.)**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Submitted by:
Adam LeFebvre, Neighborhood Assistant

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

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE O`AHU AHUPUA`A BOUNDARY MARKER PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Kuli`ou`ou/Kalani-Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 lies in the ahupua`a of Waikiki, which is located within the moku – or district – of Kona, O`ahu; and

WHEREAS, within this area are many natural and cultural resources of importance and value to the people who live, work and recreate upon the lands, along the streams and beside the shores of this ahupua`a; and

WHEREAS, these traditional land divisions were recognized by native Hawaiians many centuries ago as an effective means of managing and caring for our resources and our people; and

WHEREAS, from the mountains to the sea, ahupua`a stewardship was found to have been successful in sustaining a large population on our island for many centuries; and

WHEREAS, in modern times, our resources are as precious and valuable to our people as they were long ago; and

WHEREAS, it is important that those who now live and work on this `aina understand our kuleana – responsibility – to malama (care for) our resources for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, just as important to us all is the need to safeguard our historic and cultural resources, many of which can also be found within our ahupua`a; and

WHEREAS, the O`ahu Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs has initiated the O`ahu Ahupua`a Boundary Marker project to install ahupua`a boundary marker signage at the boundaries of each of the ahupua`a in our moku as well as other districts on our island; and

WHEREAS, such markers will enable our communities to understand where our kuleana lies and which resources we should look after; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Kuli`ou`ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 that we support the O`ahu Ahupua`a Boundary Marker project in concept, in the hope that it will encourage our communities to become better stewards of the resources in our ahupua`a; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Kuli`ou`ou/Kalani-Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the O`ahu Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, to Mayor Peter Carlisle and the Director of the City Department of Transportation Services, and to Governor Neil Abercrombie and the Director of the State Department of Transportation.

Passed at the Kuli'ou'ou/Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 2 at its regular meeting of December 6, 2012 by unanimous consent (14-0-0).