



AIEA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 20

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DRAFT- REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Chair William Clark called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.; **with a quorum of eight (8) members present.** Note: This 15 member Board requires eight (8) members for a quorum and for official Board action.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Arakawa (Arrived At 7:40 P.M.), William Clark, Brandon Elefante, Ronald Fitch, Ron Mobley, George Passmore, Susan Sheldon (Departed At 8:45 P.M.), Jane Sugimura, And Monica Texeira.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tracy Arakaki, Wilbert Ho, Danielle Lum, And Kelsey Morinaga-Wells.

VACANCIES: Sub District 2, One (1) Seat.

GUESTS: Ken Gilbert (City Department of Emergency Management), Jeremy Koch (AECOM), Breen Harimoto (Office of Councilmember Gary Okino), Sharleen Oshiro (Office of Councilmember Romy Cachola), Linda Rosehill (Rosehill & Associates), Tracy Burgo (Board of Water Supply), Sgt. Ken Miyazaki (Honolulu Police Department, District 3-Pearl City), Captain Tay Enos (Honolulu Fire Department-Aiea), Senator Norman Sakamoto, Eileen Clarke (Board of Education), Representative K. Mark Takai, Suzette Adversalo, Aaron Johanson (Office of Representative Lynn Finnegan), Ken Best (Office of Representative Blake Oshiro, Nola J. Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

FILLING OF VACANT BOARD SEAT, SUB DISTRICT 2 (1 seat) – There were no persons present interested in filling the vacancy.

ROLL CALL – There were nine (9) members present at this time.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Enos reported:

- **August 2010 Statistics** – Included 1 structure, 2 wildland, 4 rubbish, 1 vehicle fires; 74 medical, 1 search/rescue, and 22 miscellaneous calls.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** The National Fire Protection Association selected “Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With!” as the theme for Fire Prevention Week (FPW) on October 3-9, 2010. This year’s campaign reminds everyone about the importance of smoke alarms and encourages families to take the necessary steps to update and maintain their smoke alarms. Prior to FPW, HFD will be delivering Fire Fighter’s Safety Guides and posters to elementary schools islandwide. Fire companies will also be distributing the posters for display in prominent community locations. The posters depict the FPW theme and were created by HFD family members.
- **Fourth of July Brush Fire Near Wally Ho’s** – No buildings sustained damage from this brush fire.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Sgt. Miyazaki reported:

- **August 2010 Statistics** – Included 6,808 call in District 3 and 1,839 calls for service; 27.01% of calls for all beats versus District 3.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Weekend Swap Meet Congestion at the Intersection of Moanalua Road and Kaonohi Street** – It was recommended that the off-duty officers be posted at the intersection to help move traffic along. Follow up will be done. It was added that the issue has been brought up at several meetings with the swap meet



people, the community, and HPD. The problem is with the swap meet personnel posting the officers at the swap meet entrance.

2. Speeding on Halawa Heights Road by Drivers from Camp Smith – It was suggested that the post commanding officer be notified about military personnel speeding. HPD does monitor the area for speeders.

Mayor's Representative – No representative present.

Board of Water Supply – Tracy Burgo reported:

- September 2010 Water Main Breaks – Three (3) water main breaks were reported (8/7/10-98-1145 Kaonohi Street; 8/22/10- 99-522 Paihi Street; 8/22/10-99-861 Ohapueo Place).
- Ultra-low Flow Toilet Rebate Program Ending on December 31, 2010 – BWS and the City Department of Environmental Services (ENV) will be ending its residential Ultra-Low Flow Toilet Rebate Program at the end of 2010 calendar year. Applications that are properly completed and postmarked by that date will be honored, pending availability of funds. For more information visit the BWS website at www.boardofwatersupply.com.
- August 2010 Water Main Breaks – Four (4) water main breaks were reported (7/11-98-351 Koauka Loop; 7/11-98-150 Lipoa Place; 7/15-98-1186 Kaonohi Street; 7/25-98-143 Kanuku Street).
- Continued Water Conservation – Hawaii has become the driest state in the nation. BWS continues to ask everyone to conserve and be efficient with water use. BWS is closely monitoring ground water levels. A short brochure with water saving tips was distributed. More tips are available on www.boardofwatersupply.com.

State Officials/CouncilMembers:

Senator Norman Sakamoto – Senator Sakamoto reminded everyone to vote and to make sure to make the appropriate boxes on the ballot or it will not be counted. Today, the BOE selected Ms. Kathy Matayoshi as the new BOE superintendent.

7:40 p.m., Arakawa arrived; **10 members present.**

Councilmember Gary Okino – Breen Harimoto reported that the fireworks bill is still controversial. The State has authorized counties to make their own fireworks laws. Councilmember Okino introduced the original bill to ban fireworks. The Council is working hard for a compromise for stricter future fireworks control. Harimoto was unsure of the opinions from HFD and HPD on this issue.

Representative K. Mark Takai – Rep. K. Mark Takai reported:

- Hawaii 50 Movie Preview – The preview of this movie is being shown at Sunset on the Beach in Waikiki this evening.
- Kaahale Street Community Traffic Awareness Partnership (CTAP) – Community members were invited to participate in this joint effort with HPD to get drivers to slow down. The event is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, 2010, on Kaahale Street fronting the Newtown Recreation Center from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Representative Blake Oshiro – Ken Best reported:

- Kam Drive-In Update – An update regarding the Kam Drive-in from Rep. Oshiro was circulated.
- Senior Fair – A Senior Fair will be held at the Pearlridge Shopping Center Uptown on Saturday October 23, 2010 from (9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.).
- Keiki Identification Cards – McDonald's Pearl Kai is sponsoring Keiki ID Day, Saturday, October 23, 2010, from (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.).

Councilmember Romy Cachola – Sharleen Oshiro circulated the written report and reported:

- Special Budget Meeting – A special budget meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2010, regarding real property taxes and the rezoning, at 9:00 a.m.

Representative Lynn Finnegan – Aaron Johanson had no report but was available for questioning.

Board of Education (BOE) – Eileen Clarke reported:

- New Superintendent – The BOE selected Kathy Matayoshi as the new DOE superintendent.
- Race to the Top – Hawaii ranked third in the ratings. A Board meeting will be held on Maui to discuss consolidation of schools facing fiscal constraints.
- University of Hawaii Law School Forum – The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at the University of Hawaii Law School room 1 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. This meeting is sponsored by the League of Women Voters and it was unsure if it would be taped by `Olelo.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

Ulune Street and Aiea Heights Drive – A resident submitted a request to modify turning at at the Ulune Street and Aiea Heights Drive intersection; proposing that the right lane (going up hill) be changed from a right turn only onto Ulune Street to an either right turn or going straight lane to Halewiliko Street. This concern was forward to Council member Gary Okino's office for follow up.

APPROVAL OF JULY 12, 2010 MINUTES: **Hearing no objection, the July 12, 2010 regular meeting minutes were APPROVED with the following corrections:**

- Page 1, Discussion followed should read, "...Hearing no objection, the following Board **members** were elected for the term of July 2010 to June 2011 by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 8-0-0..."
- Page 2, filling of vacant Board seats, Subdistrict 4 should read, "...Without objection, Carmille Lim was appointed to fill the subdistrict 4 vacancy, **10-0-0** (Arakaki, Clark. **Elefante**, Fitch. Lum, Ho, Passmore, Sheldon, Sugimura, Texeira)..."
- Page 3, May neighborhood board meeting sign-in sheet, line 4 should read, "...**guest list**..."

8:45 p.m. Sheldon departed the meeting; **nine (9) members present.**

BOARD BUSINESS

Multi-Hazard Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan Update – Ken Gilbert, from the City Office of Emergency Management, presented the following:

- Hazardous Mitigation Plan criteria update; Stanford Act requirements – The Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan does not include Homeland Security hazards; organization and scope of the new plan; involving general public input (survey); public opinion on high priorities; hazard severity based on average annual loss estimates; and process leading to FEMA approval.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS CONTINUED:

Honouliuli/Waipahu/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities Plan Update – Linda Rosehill introduced Jeremy Koch, who reported the following:

- The City Department of Environmental Services (ENV) is in the process of preparing the Honouliuli/Waipahui/Pearl City Wastewater Facilities Plan, which is an update to the West Mamala Bay Facilities Plan (2001) for the Honouliuli Sewershed. The sewershed encompasses the areas including Halawa, Aiea, Pearl City, Waipio, Waikele, Waipahu, Ewa, Kapolei, and Mililani flowing into the Honouliuli WWTP). The plan will be updated with focus on technology for construction Gravity Sewer Tunnel systems for the conveyance and storage of wastewater flows. The effort will go further into the development of design concepts for the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) aimed at minimizing sanitary sewer overflows, to comply with regulatory mandates from the State Department of Health (DOH), and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and to meet the future needs for wastewater management.
- Alternatives Under Consideration – a) Additional gravity sewer (relief sewers). b) Peak flow storage tanks at pump stations. c) Increased and additional pump station force mains. d) Pump station capacity expansions, modifications, replacement/rehabilitation and relocations. e) Gravity Sewer Tunnel to replace some pump stations and provide peak flow storage. f) Upgrade and expansion of the wastewater treatment plant to secondary treatment.
- Key Dates – a) July 23, 2010, Final Environmental Assessment (EA)/EISPN Publication date. b) August 22, 2010, End of EA/EISPN comment period. c) February 7, 2010-tentative, Draft Environmental Impact

Statement (EIS) Publication Date. d) April 8, 2011-tentative, End of EIS comment period. e) September 7, 2011-tentative, Final EIS and project completion.

- Comments – Send comments to AECOM, attention Lambert Yamashita, P.E., 1001 Bishop Street, Suite 1600, Honolulu, HI 96813.
- Questions – Contact Rosehill & associates, attention Linda Rosehill, 1088 Bishop Street, Suite 1010, Honolulu, HI 96813; phone (808) 536-2611; or visit www.honouliuliinfo.com.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Tunneling System – The tunneling system will be enclosed; the entrance will consist of a six to eight foot vertical pipe flowing directly into the tunnel.
2. Current Storage Tank Dimensions – a) The current sewer tanks are approximately three feet in diameter. The project tanks will be larger and increase storage capacity underground, especially during peak flows; the problem is the overflows. b) The tunnels will replace several pump station around the harbor and minimize maintenance and improves reliability for the treatment plant.
3. Project Timeframe – a) Tunnels take a couple of years to construct starting at the down stream end to the high point; and can be constructed in phases. b) The project is currently in the study phase, which should take about two years.
4. Private Property to be Taken for Project – At this time no privately owned properties will be taken for the project. The Pearl City area has state or public parcels that could be utilized. The tunnel route would have an easement underground, with the possibility of using Navy land, which would need congressional action.
5. Diagram – Regarding community concerns about having Kamehameha Highway as a utility corridor that was identified as the original route, but has been identified as an alternate before the highlands mass transit. Alignment will be one stretch near the stadium.
6. Next Update – AECOM will return to the Board in January or February 2011 with the final EIS comments.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – Chair Clark reported expenditures in the Operating Account was \$34.13 leaving a balance of \$428.46; having no expenditures, the Publicity Account remains at \$4,203. The report will be filed.

- Board's Appropriated Funds for FY2011 – Board member Mobley reported that a significant amount of about 40% was reduced from the Board's budget. Boards that videotape their meetings were verbal about the cuts. On August 20, 2010, Executive Secretary Rae Gee reinstated the funding. The City Council is looking into the matter if the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) would continue to be funded or the possibility of do away with neighborhood boards since less and less money is being appropriated. If the Boards are reduced it is possible that only a cabinet position would be retained to run the office.

Community Reports:

Aiea Community Association (ACA) – Chair Clark reported that the ACA meetings are now held on the third (3rd) Monday of each month, Aiea Public Library Conference Room, at 7:00 p.m. He announced that Claire Tamamoto is now a mayoral appointed Commissioner to the Neighborhood Commission.

Other Community Reports

Kamehameha Highway Improvements Project – Rep. Takai reported that he would be with State Department of Transportation (DOT) director before he transitions out of his position, and requested an update on this project. He also requested to have this item put on the October or November agenda, and will follow up with Chair Clark.

Honolulu Rail Transit (HRT) – No representative present or report provided.

Kamehameha Drive-in Issues – Chair Clark relayed that a letter was circulated tonight from Rep. Oshiro with information and community concerns regarding this project. The letter was mailed to Kaonohi Street residents and was received today by Pua Alii Street, Unikiniki Street, and residents along the Kaonohi Street ridgeline residents. It was recommended that a separate special meeting be held on this important issue be scheduled in October or November at Pearl Ridge Elementary School. A comment was concern is that this project will be railroaded in. Roberts Group Properties (RGP) is required to get a height variance.

Discussion Followed:

1. Rep. Takai – The challenge is that Rep. Oshiro's focus is on his area constituents, but we must make sure to bring the entire community together (he supports Oshiro). He offered to work with the new Councilmember and the Aiea and Pearl City Neighborhood Boards, recommending a Town meeting.
2. Chair Clark – Asked why help from the Councilmember's and area legislators is needed. RGP will say when they are ready.
3. Comment – Rep. Oshiro is following the EIS process. There is nothing official yet. The community must be ready when the Robertson Group Properties does another presentation.

Committees:

Executive – A response letter from the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) about the Halawa Heights Drive and Iwa Iwa Street crosswalk concern was received. Striped cones or bulbous were suggested, which would cause speeders to slow down. A suggestion was to move the strips from the lower side of the street to the upper side where it is more illuminated. The concerns letter was referred to Rep. Oshiro's office on May 27, 2010.

Restoration and Advisory Board (RAB) – The next RAB meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, Aiea Public Library Conference Room, at 7:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Library Book Sale – The Aiea Library Book Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; volunteers are needed. To volunteer contact Sherry Tamamoto at 483-7333 or dee2dum@gmail.com. All proceeds go to the library.
- Sustainability Building Task Force – A sustainability building task force has been formed by the city.
- Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) – The next OMPO meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, Honolulu Hale conference Room 2045 at 3:30 p.m.
- Kapiolani/Pali Momi Hospital – The hospital's name has been changed to Pali Momi Medical Center and includes a new logo.
- Next Meeting – The next Board meeting will be on Monday, October 11, 2010, Aiea Public Library Conference Room (99-143 Moanalua Road), at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Submitted by:
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Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:
William Clark
Chair