



## EWA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 23

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### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2008 EWA BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Hargrave called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m., with a quorum present. Note: This Board of eleven members requires a vote of vote for a motion to pass.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rich Hargrave, Jeff Alexander, Anne Atkinson, Gary Bautista, Charles Beamer, Tom Berg, , Kurt Fevella, Rich Hargrave, Mitchell Tynanes.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Clay Ah Soon, Scott Belford, Philip Dowland.

**VACANT SEATS –** There are no vacant seats.

**GUESTS:** Ariel DeJesus, Breene Harimoto (Member, Board of Education), Clayton Fujie (Deputy Director, Department of Education), Mamo Carreira (Area Complex Superintendent-Campbell, Kapolei, Waianae), Jon Kitabayashi (Principal, Ilima Intermediate School), Jamie Dela Cruz (Vice-Principal, Campbell High School), Rona Martin, John Gollner (Representative Pine's Office staff), Zhan Hunt (HSPLS), Laurence Lau (Deputy Director, State Department of Health), Captain Robert Abley (Honolulu Fire Department-Ewa Beach), Lt. Jeffrey Bruchal (Honolulu Police Department, Kapolei-District 8), Coby. Lynn (Lions Club/Boys & Girls Club), Ilalo Parayno (Representative Cabanilla's Office staff), Gayle Bracerros (Weed & Seed), Sgt. Edgar Namoca (Honolulu Police Department, Kapolei-District 8), Mamo Carreira (Department of Education), Tesha Malama (HCDA), Lt.Cmdr. LaConta D. Coleman, Lisa Enanoria (Haseko), Major Mark Moses (Honolulu Police Department, Kapolei-District 8), Officer Charles Skuggs (Honolulu Police Department, Kapolei-District 8-Juvenile Division), T. M. Allard, Craig Maeda (City Department of Parks and Recreation), Jon Kitabayashi and W. Aimoto (Ilima Intermediate School Principal), H. Buiero (BGCH), Debra Luning Gentry Homes), Celeste Lacuesta, Roger Lacuesta, James M. Dela Cruz (JCHS), Cynthia Ramirez, Gary Omori (Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project), Tommy Johnson (Deputy Director, State Department of Public Safety/Governor's Office), Joyce Oliveira (Mayor's Office), Venus Delos Santos (Senator Espero's Office staff), Jada Martin, Sophia Placencia (Waianae Community Outreach), Carrie Krauss, Glenn Oamilda, Nola Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS:** The roll call of Board members was administered with nine members present (Smith, Belford, Alexander, Ah Soon, Tynanes, Bautista, Dowland, Hargrave, and Atkinson).

**CONDUCT OF BOARD MEETING:** Vice Chair Berg reminded everyone about the Board's protocol for meeting, which is printed at the top of the agenda, order and decorum, and announced that timekeeper for the evening is Board member Tynanes. .

Chair Hargrave said that items 9.c New Business/Presentations would be reversed to 9.A Transportation Issues; 9.B Resolution 07-039, relating to Neighborhood Board Term Limits; and 9.C Comments of Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Ho'opili Project. There were no objections.

**The agenda was to take out of order to hear item 10.G Board of Education to be reported after Public Generated Issues/Community Concerns, by unanimous consent.**

#### **REPORTS:**

**HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT –** Captain R. Abley reported:

1. Statistics for the month of February 2008 included structure fire 1, rubbish fires 2, medical calls 60, and miscellaneous calls 11.



2. Fire Safety Tip: Cooking at home can be a fun family activity, but please be careful. According to the U.S. Fire Administration, cooking fires are the leading cause of house fires and fire injuries nationwide. The following precaution can be taken to minimize your chances of starting a cooking fire:
  - o *Do not leave cooking food unattended. If you must leave the kitchen, even briefly, turn off the heat, and take a spoon or oven mitt with you to remind yourself of the food on the stove.*
  - o *Do not become distracted. Attending to children, answering phone calls, watching television, and answering doorbells can have devastating results when the stove is on and unattended.*
  - o *Keep ignitable items, such as dishtowels, paper or plastic bags, or curtains, at least three feet away from the range top.*
  - o *Keep an ABC-rated fire extinguisher near the kitchen, and learn how to use it.*

**HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT – Lt. Jeff Buchal reported:**

1. Statistics for the month of February 2008 compared to January 2008 included robbery 0/3, burglary 19/17, thefts 36/37, auto thefts 9/14, theft from vehicle 20/22, ID theft 2/3, motor vehicle collisions 73/64, driving under the influence (DUI) 2/3, property damage 22/32, drugs 0/3; totals calls 1698/1813. Total arrests for February 366 adults and 197 juveniles; January – 365 adults and 110 juveniles; total service calls for District 7: February 2141; January 6382.
2. The annual Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW) meeting with Chief Boisse Correa is scheduled for Thursday, March 27, 2008, from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at the Kapolei Police Station located at 1100 Kamokila Boulevard. A head count is needed for those planning to attend. Contact your Community Police Officer for attendance: Officer Antone Pacheco 692-4250/Officer Michael Kahikina 692-4248/Officer Halani Barboza 692-4247.

Questions, comments, concerns: 1) In response to Chair Hargrave as to how many active NSW programs are in Ewa Beach, the Community Police Officers could provide the statistics. Major Mike Moses said including the coordinators there are about 100 participants. Follow up on the numbers will be done. 2) Per the statistics report, Lacueste asked what kind of thefts. The response was it is considered auto thefts. It was then asked is Ewa having a particular problem with auto/motor bike thefts. Lt. Buchal replied he has not seen a spike in those thefts in the area. 3) Chair Hargrave said each speaker would be allowed one issue and if other issues could be taken outside of the meeting to discuss with Lt. Buchal. 4) Oamilda asked if the drug arrests were included with the Weed & Seed statistics. The response was that the statistics are generated from computerized files. Major Moses added that the generated statistics does not necessarily which type of arrests and noted statistics for HPD & Weed & Seed are separate. Fevella mentioned that ongoing drug investigations cannot be reported at this time. Major Moses said that the statistics are complaint calls. 6) Major Moses announces that effective this Saturday Iroquois Point will have its own Beat, 878, added to the area, and will include all of the housing area. Ewa Beach will now consist of six Beats.

**EWA WEED & SEED:** Sgt. Edgar Namoca circulated the monthly adult arrest statistics table and was available for questions.

Questions, comments, concerns: 1) Oamilda asked if the Weed & Seed is still working with the Drug Enforcement Agency and the Nuisance Drug Abatement. Sgt. Namoca replied they are still working in the community. 2) Sgt. Namoca announced that funding for the Ewa Weed & Seed ended in February 2008; currently there is no outside funding only what is provided by HPD. Gayle Braceros mentioned that a grant-in-aid has been awarded to the Ewa Weed & Seed. 3) Relative to the statistics report, Bautista asked for clarification of air guns and beyond parent control. Sgt. Namoca answered that BB guns are considered air guns and citations may be issued violators. Officer Charles Skuggs, of the Juvenile Section, was introduced and explained that beyond parent control could be anywhere from not listening to mom and dad, refusing to go to school, resisting to follow rules at home, etc.. If a parent(s) feel that a child is out of control they may call 911 and an officer will respond and speak with that child. If a child is arrested they are released back to the parent(s). If the situation continues it may go to court or ask the State to take control of the child. Steps include arrested, evening counseling (status offense), court, asking the State for help.

Fevella announced in partnership with the Lions Club, "Bash in the Bush" is happening this Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., free to the public.

**BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY – Cal Sueoka** circulated the monthly report and was available for questions.

**MILITARY** – Lt. Cmdr. Coleman reported no update regarding Iroquois Point public access. West Loch Harbor dredging is scheduled for unexpended ordnance on the bay floor. There is a mitigation procedure for removal that was started in October 2007 and will continue until March 2009. Place of disposal is away from the islands.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Bautista said why not explode the ordnance here to save money. Coleman replied there are emission rules. The ship will pick up the ordnance four times a year. Some debris may have to be incinerated.
2. Regarding the dredging, Fevella asked if any would be drifting to the Ewa Beach waters. Coleman answered dredging is occurring 30 to 40 feet below the surface to support a new ship. Soil samples were taken and a barge would be disposing of the debris/ordnance.
3. Fevella asked since the new HPD Beat 878, what is the chance of the back gate being opened for the bus. Coleman responded that the gates are manned by the Marines; open for emergencies only; not fully staffed. He also wanted to know why the Navy cannot assist with opening of the gate. Coleman said it is a private/military venture with the private sector responsible for providing security service. He noted the Marines now control the second gate close to the range; the mini mart and gas station will soon be removed.
4. Oamilda commented as time goes by with the new HPD Beat 878 will the public have more access. Is an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) required for the dredging; the public is impacted. In answer, the Navy is doing maintenance dredging. Follow up will be done and reported next month.
5. Lacuesta requested having the golf course people to check along the North Road and trim the overhanging tree branches for the public and safety of children walking to and from school. Chair Hargrave mentioned that a few months ago the Marathon committee came to the Board and said that they would clean the area. It was noted that the area is getting worse with illegal dumping. Ewa International Golf Course is responsible for maintaining the area. Lacueste noted one reason the golf course does not want the cleared is because of abandoned cars. She asked who if liable is children walking in the area get injured (due to the overhang children are walking on the roadway in that area to get home). Fevella noted that the issue came up with the previous Neighborhood Board, and it was noted that liability is the golf course responsibility. The site has been cleaned once and standing sticks were placed to avoid abandoned cars. Abandoned vehicles started showing up again when the place was not maintained and is also used as a dumping ground. He thinks that the State can issue violations for lack of maintenance.
6. Berg said North Road is under the jurisdiction of the golf course, trees the City (easements, setbacks and the shoulder). He suggested contacting the City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) to cite the owner of the property fronting the North Road.
7. Bautista suggested a letter from the Board to the DPP and the golf course owners relative to liabilities for injuries.

**Bautista moved, seconded by Tynanes that a letter from the Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23 be sent to the City Department of Planning and Permitting and owner of the International Golf Course regarding liability to injuries and maintenance of the area on North Road. The motion was unanimously ADOPTED, 7-0-0** (Rich Hargrave, Jeff Alexander, Gary Bautista, Charles Beamer, Tom Berg, Mitchell Tynanes, Kurt Fevella). Chair Hargrave asked Bautista to assist with writing the letter.

#### **BOARD BUSINESS:**

**REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 2008 – Alexander moved, seconded by Fevella to accept the regular meeting minutes of February 14, 2008.**

Chair Hargrave read the adjustment to the February 17, 2008:

The published record of the scheduled February 14, 2008 meeting needs to be revised to reflect that due to the absence of a quorum, the Board meeting ended at 9:25 p.m. with the departure of an sixth Board Member, there by placing the members present below quorum. The records need to be shown deleting all items after the recognition by Vice Chair Tom Berg that the meeting was below quorum (as noticed by the neighborhood Commission staff member Nola Frank), substituting a phrase that “the meeting was adjourned due to loss of quorum.” Therefore all reports and comments after that point on the middle of page 8 will need to be deleted from the retained official record of the meeting. This enables the Board to be in keeping with Sunshine Law which is the source of the requirement that a quorum be present as part

of the definition that a meeting is occurring. I refer you to your Sunshine Law manuals, but if you have any questions after looking there, please give Nola a call (Nola Frank 768-3783). **There were no objections.**

**The motions to accept the amended regular meeting minutes of February 14, 2008 was ADOPTED unanimously, 7-0-0** (Jeff Alexander. Gary Bautista, Charles Beamer, Tom Berg, Mitchell Tynanes, Kurt Fevella, Rich Hargrave)

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Bautista reported for the month of February expenditures in the Operating Account were \$54.76, leaving a balance of \$1,094.63, balance in the Publicity Account is \$1.450, and incurring no expenditures the Refreshment Account remains at \$120. **Alexander moved, seconded by Tynanes, accepting the February 2008 statement. There were no objections.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project (HHCTCP):** Berg announced that comments regarding the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project are due March 28, 2008. He suggested contacting the City Council asking for an extension to commented until after the Boards April meeting; it was requested that this item be placed on the April agenda.

**Berg moved, seconded by Bautista that a letter from the Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23 be sent to the City and County of Honolulu informing them that comments from this board would be submitted in April after the Board's April meeting. The motion was ADOPTED, unanimously 7-0-0** (Rich Hargrave, Jeff Alexander. Gary Bautista, Charles Beamer, Tom Berg, Mitchell Tynanes, Kurt Fevella).

**Full City Council Hearing**-Jim Brewer announced that a full Council Hearing is scheduled for March 19, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

**Easter Bass at the Bush:** Fevella announced "Malama Oneula", One`ula Beach Park (Hau Bush), 91-101 Papipi Road, Saturday, March 15, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Easter Food Drive – In the Spirit of Easter bring a can good or food item and receive a free Easter goodie.

**The Civil Air Patrol 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Celebration:** March 15, 2008, 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. at Kalaeloa Hanger III.

**Pride in Ewa:** Participants are being sought for the "Pride in Ewa" scheduled for May 10, 2008. Updates will be reported at a later meeting.

**Oahu Composite Squadron:** Bautista commended Chair Hargrave for starting the West Oahu Composite Squadron for ages 12-18 years old. Chair Hargrave thanked Bautista and said the group went from 3 cadets to 73 members from 2006. Meetings are held at the Pacific Aerospace Training Center.

**PUBLIC GENERATED ISSUES/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:**

**Phileas Hydrogen Powered Vehicle** - Oamilda commented that the Board took a position on the Phileas Hydrogen Powered Vehicle and recommended that a Board member testify. Chair Hargrave said he and transit chair Belford would attend the meeting

**Vacation Rentals** – Karen Luke distributed a handout in support of vacation rentals. She announced that a first hearing is scheduled for March 27, at 9:00 a.m., Honolulu Hale. She asked for a letter of support from the Board.

Discussion followed: Bautista raised concern about the handout saying all of Oahu's neighborhood boards are in opposition when the issue was never presented to the Ewa Neighborhood Board. Beamer said that the Board voted no. Bautista disagreed and said he knew nothing of the issue. Alexander stated that the deadline was March and the item could not be placed on the March agenda. Chair asked Luke if she was asking that a Board representative attend the meeting or a letter from the Board. Chair Hargrave reiterated the statement all Boards on the handout and said this Board received no information on the matter. He suggested Board members attend the meeting.

**Transit** – Jim Brewer raised concern regarding a handout circulated titled Response to Panos Prevedouros' "20 Reasons for Choosing Bus Technology" not have a name and stated that all of the handouts have names. Gary

Omorì (Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project Consultant) said that he brought the handout (freedom of speech) because he thought that this community needs to hear the other side before making a conclusion.

**Relocation of the Kolowaka Street Bus Stop** – Lacueste asked for follow up pertaining to the relocation of this bus stop. Fevella said that the Board previous made a motion regarding the huge impact this would cause. Chair Hargrave noted more follow up is needed. Oamilda suggested requesting that the State Department of Transportation (DOT) be put on the Board's agenda. Berg added a meeting was held last year and one in February 2008, without the issue being resolved. Concerns are still being addressed and noted that the Board sent a letter last month with the petition attached and a letter regarding Renton Road. An audience member relayed that an email received from DOT regarding feed back from the community, the decision was made to keep the bus stop on the north side of Kolowaka Street. Chair Hargrave asked what measures could the Board take. A comment was made that on the mainland far side bus stops are not good.

**Needles found at One`ula Beach** – Carrie Krauss reported she found new needles for drawing blood scattered on the beach and sees nothing being done by authorities. Laurence Lau, Director of the Department of Health's Division of Environmental Health, reported that the matter is under investigation. The City cleaned the beach last week and contractors this Thursday; last Friday the Coast Guard found nothing. This past Tuesday more needles were found per a press release. Plans are to work with the City' Emergency Management to coordinate protocol and a plan.

8:23 p.m. Chair Hargrave relinquished the gavel to Vice Chair Berg and left the meeting room for less than five minutes and retrieved the gavel upon his return.

Lau continued there are regulations on medical waste and the distributor was contacted on this matter. A sample of the needle found was shared with recommendations if someone is accidentally steps on the sharp object and is injured to wash the area thoroughly, use a topical antibiotic, and if it gets infected see your doctor. Needles found should be placed in a plastic container, sealed, put out with the trash. For more information call 455-1725 between the hours of 7:00-3:30 Monday thru Friday. For pickup of needles found after hours call 911. The signage issue is being addressed.

Questions, comments, concerns: 1) A comment was made that the needles were found Wednesday evening brought in by the tide and buried in the sand. 2) Fevella said that the needles were found on Tuesday, but the public was not informed until Wednesday, and raised concerns as to why the needles were not immediately removed. In answer, Lau said DOH is concerned and agreed that the warning should have been given sooner. Craig Nishimura, Acting Director for the City Department of Facility Maintenance, said his crew was notified Wednesday morning and immediately sent crews out. One worker also checked with DOH. 3) Oamilda noted that the needles were probably dumped during the winter months and were brought in with the high tide and now with the sand receding were exposed. 4) Luke asked what the expedited process is for signage. 5) An audience member asked which City agency is responsible for getting the word out to the public when something like this occurs. 6) Coming from a safety background, Chair Hargrave noted all are concerned and it is everyone's responsibility even if a personal temporary warning sign is posted. Lau said that he cannot speak for the City but did call the City's Emergency Management Department suggesting that EMS or lifeguards post signs. A joint City and State meeting is planned. 7) Maeda mentioned that a meeting to discuss this matter is scheduled for tomorrow morning with the DOH.

#### **REPORTS BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION:** Board member Breene Harimoto introduced Clayton Fujie (Deputy State Superintendent), Mamo Carreira (Area Complex Superintendent), Jon Kitabayashi (Principal, Ilima Intermediate School) and Jamie Dela Cruz (Vice-Principal, Campbell High School) to discuss fights at Campbell High and Ilima Intermediate Schools.

8:50 p.m. Atkinson arrived (8 members present).

1. Carreira reported 1 physical and 15 harassment reports this past month. Students are fighting in the parking lot of the Boys & Girls Club after school. Since then meetings have been held with HPD, principals, security, with a community meeting held today. It was suggested that a possible community patrol could be formed for when school gets out. Everyone was thanked for their support.
2. Security has been assigned at the Boys & Girls Club parking lot before and after school. Once a student leaves the school campus, they are out of the school's jurisdiction. Talks are continuing with the students,

security, staff, and parents. However, if there is an occurrence off-campus the school cannot suspend the student.

3. Clayton Fujie, Deputy Superintendent, for the Department of Education, said the State's Safety Office is in support of solving these issues to insure safety. Assistance can be given to students with intervention to avoid such incidents off-campus.
4. Berg called a point of order and recommended that Board member Atkinson be assigned to chair the Board's Education Committee, and that this issue be referred to committee. It was noted that all Board committees' meet at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Board's regular meeting.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Fevella suggested the purchase of golf carts for the security to drive around the campus, Campbell High School being the only one with no carts for security.
2. Parent Rona Martin reported that on February 29 her son was involved in a fight because he was attacked earlier that morning. She sent letters to the school asking for a meeting. The following concerns were raised: a) School meeting held today, parents not invited; b) received a call from Senator Espero, but not from the DOE; c) asked if the Sheriff's Department is involved; d) relative to after schools hours, commented that it is schools hours until the students board the bus; e) what happened to the school's zero tolerance policy relative fights.
3. Harimoto said the purpose for today's meeting was for the administration to coordinate efforts. Awakuni added they met to coordinate a productive meeting with the parents.
4. Kitabayashi said that Illima Intermediate takes a proactive approach to problems, but he does not know what Campbell High School students are doing because of lack of communication between the schools.
5. A member of the audience relayed that fights at Campbell High School breaks-out at least twice a week, and he has seen only one security guard working. Order is not kept by the other four security guards. Awakuni replied that another community is in the planning. Since the last incident, there have been two to three HPD officers in before and after school; security is also posted at the Boys & Girls Club during those hours.
6. Fevella noted that previously drop-offs were not allowed back of the school's gym for safety reasons. He added that air conditioning would be good for the students.
7. This issue was referred to the Education Committee for follow up.

**Update on the Keoneula Elementary School Redistricting:** Carreira reported that student attendance for Ewa area elementary schools is being adjusted. Past student capacity was 725, but now increased to over 780 and rising. Ewa Beach Elementary now has 378 students and growing. Projection is to balance the student ration, which is the job of the department, with the decision made by the Department of Education (DOE) and shared with the Board of Education (BOE). Regarding the proposed new Keone'ula Elementary School, the land was given to school through the role of the Land Use Commission (LUC). Haseko has set aside 12 acres for the school, which will be for that entire area with no divisions.

Questions, comments, concerns: 1) There was planning prior to the development expansion. 2) An audience member expressed that she think the board is making a big mistake not having more parent involvement. Including parents in schools committee decision making would be more successful. Harimoto responded that a meeting was held the other night for parents. Meeting regarding fights is a different issue. 3) It was noted that communication with the community will continue.

9:03 p.m. Alexander left the meeting (7 members present).

**Without objection the agenda was taken out of order to New Business, 9.C. Transportation Issues.**

**TRANSIT ISSUES** – Dr. Panos Prevedouros circulated two handouts and highlighted his 21<sup>st</sup> Century Solutions for Oahu's Traffic Problems: Automatic toll collection at freeway speeds, urban underpasses, High-Occupancy Lanes (HOT Lanes and in-town Rapid Transit System; proposed high-occupancy/toll (HOT) lane system. Advantages of advanced traffic solutions: HOT expressways can zip traffic along at 60 miles per hour; underpasses can reduce congestion by 25% to 50% and offer a safer environment for both intersecting streets and pedestrians; town traffic congestion can be reduced by at least 30%; a 2-lane reversible highway facility can serve 200 buses, 500 vanpools and over 2000 toll-paying cars; HOT lanes can generate a revenue with variable tolls-use revenues to offer more express buses. Rail will introduce several user costs (tolls): excise tax on everything we buy (about \$500 per family per year); longer commute on clogged arterial streets and freeways-City's Alternatives Analysis says in the year 2030, with rail traffic congestion will be far worse than it is now;

increased bus fare; rail stations are magnets for crime; transfer charges; noise pollution, rail is 19<sup>th</sup> century technology; no use for freight or deliveries, emergencies, and hard to use by the elderly; it is at least capable of getting people out of welfare due to its limited access. In contradiction to Mayor Hannemann's proposed rail, his opinion is that it would not work in Hawaii. Traffic congestion with rail will be worse until 2030. The Mayor's transit idea will cost several billion dollars and not a done deal. Light rail has been rejected three times in Seattle and would be out of proportion for Hawaii. The Mayor is asking for \$3.6 billion dollars for rail for only half a million people. He stated that rail is worse than cars. Prevedouros solution is HOT lanes, bus rapid transit, and high occupancy toll lanes. According to Mayor Hannemann saying that rates would be approximately \$1.50 each way is a lie. The proposal for is political, having the taxpayers foot the bill, stating that the people should have an alternative. It is costing the taxpayers \$34,000 yearly per person for TheBoat. Prevedoros is proposing reversible three lane highways, express buses and vanpools. The micro-simulation would be two and 3 lane highway, underpass, and toll tunnel. Travel time from Kapolei to U.H, would be 50 minutes, 52 minutes by car. With rail transit time would be 75 minutes.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Atkinson asked what the next step would be. In response, presently a Draft Environmental Impact Statement and accept or reject the steel wheel recommendation; options are still available.
2. Fevella asked how many companies are in the competition for parts, labor and maintenance for the HOT lanes. The answer was there are no American entities. Fevella commented in 2006 the issue was brought before the City Council and Prevedoros was not there to make a presentation to the community, and wanted to know why the technology was not mentioned at that time. He noted there are inconsistencies regarding projections, too costly, allowing only people with money to use the toll lanes. Prevedoros answered his proposal would use less concrete than rail transit. HOT lanes would offer express buses with 45 minutes of service time versus the Mayor's proposal of 75 minutes.
3. Oamilda asked if he was piggy backing on Representative Cabanilla's proposal to put a tunnel under Pearl Harbor. He questioned why have the people move back to town, while Kapolei, being the second city is growing. Oamilda stated would the toll lanes be only for the rich. Prevedoros replied he believes that the City faked the analysis in trying to solve the Ewa Beach traffic problems (results from a traffic standpoint).
4. Bautista said he previously wanted elevated roads, but that never happened. In response, those were called managed lanes.

**Berg moved and seconded by Bautista that the Ewa Neighborhood Board No. 23 requests the State Department of Transportation prepare work for the Leeward Corridor. The motion was unanimously ADOPTED, 8-0-0** (Atkinson, Bautista, Beamer, Berg, Hargrave, Fevella, Tynanes).

Neighborhood Assistant Nola Frank left the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Nola Frank, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:  
Rich Hargrave, Chairperson