



EWA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 23

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012 EWA BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: Chair John Gollner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **with a quorum of nine (9) members present.** Note this 11-member Board requires six (6) members to establish a quorum and take official Board action. Second Vice Chair De Jesus read the rules of speaking.

Members Present: Ariel De Jesus, Kurt Fevella, John Gollner, Ernest 'Joe' Hartsell, Steve Knauer, Celeste Lacuesta, Frankie McCurley, Kevin Rathbun and Saipeti Tagovailoa-Amosa.

Members Absent: Coby Lynn and Dee Dee Oshiro.

Vacancies: None.

Guests: Rodney Boucher (Ewa Emergency Preparedness Committee), Allan Anuehu, Gale Braceros and Officer Mark Nakagawa (Ewa Weed and Seed), Lieutenant Gerry Asato (Honolulu Police Department), Debra Luning (Gentry Homes), Henry Chang Wo, Doug and Marilyn Correa, Executive Director Kaleve Iosefa (Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts/Mayor's Representative), Mary Oyama, Andy M., Roslynn Stevens, Lisa Enanoria (Haseko), Troy Sampaga (Waianae Community Outreach), Captain Dwayne Lee (Honolulu Fire Department), Matt LoPresti, John Gibo, Jame Schaedel (House of Representatives), Mitchell Tynanes, Deputy Director Leila Kagawa (Department of Human Resources/Governor's Representative), Joy Yadao (St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii), Glenn Oamilda, Councilmember Tom Berg and Evelyn Souza (Councilmember Berg's Office), Franklin Souza, Senator Will Espero, Tiffany Patrick (Marines Corps Base Hawaii), Representative Rida Cabanilla, Oscar Ramiscal and students of James Campbell High School (video recorders), and Leland S.M. Ribac (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS: At the pleasure of the Chair, Board members introduced themselves.

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Reported later on the agenda.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Gerry Asato reported;

- **Crime Statistics of March 2012:** Included 1 sex assault, 1 robbery, 17 burglaries, 9 unauthorized entries to a motor vehicle (UEMV), 6 auto thefts, 43 thefts, 21 property damages, 63 motor vehicle collisions and a total of 1,827 calls for service.
- **Crime Safety Tip:** Residents were urged to drive safely and responsibly. Make sure vehicles are safe to drive, checking tires, brakes, windshield wipers and lights. Motorists were asked to be alert, practice defensive driving and to wear their seatbelts.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. **Traffic Accident Report/Statistics:** A Board member requested accident statistics at several intersections in the district including; Kapolei Parkway and Papii Road/Hailipo Street, Fort Weaver Road and Ewa Beach Road/Kilaha Street, Kapolei Parkway and Kaimalie Street, Fort Weaver Road and Kaimalie Street, Fort Weaver Road and Makule Road fronting Ilima Intermediate School, and roadways from Geiger Road and Launahale Street and roadway leading into the Longs Drug Shopping area.
2. **Oneula Beach Park Camping Citations:** Citation concerns were raised at Oneula Beach Park. It was noted HPD is inconsistent and should not cite residents for camping. It was noted the park is a no-camping park; however, is open 24-hours. Follow-up was requested on the definition of a tent.



Ewa Weed & Seed Unit: Weed & Seed Officer Mark Nakagawa provided a report highlighting;

- Weeding in the Community: Officers have been performing Underage Drinking Sweeps twice a month and issued citations to adults and arrested juveniles that were drinking or had possession of alcohol in public. Narcotics officers are actively involved in Narcotics investigations in the Ewa Weed and Seed site. Officers held a Truancy Sweep near the James Campbell Complex; 36 students were arrested.
- Upcoming Events: Officers will be providing Career Day presentations at Ilima Middle School on April 13, 2012. The Junior Golf Program at Coral Creek Golf Course will begin on April 17, 2012. The Pride 4 Ewa in Ewa by Gentry is scheduled for April 28, 2012; officers will be providing Keiki ID at the event.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH): Tiffany Patrick reported;

- Facility Hours: The Puuloa Range Training Facility is open Mondays through Sundays, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; no exceptions at this time.
- News and Events: The 'Surf and Turf' 5K run on base will be held on April 14, 2012; residents can call 254-7590 for more information. MCBH will be hosting cadets from Quabbin County, Michigan from April 15-19, 2012. MCBH will be hosting Manana Elementary School for a field trip on April 26, 2012.
- Current Deployments: Units include 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 362 and U.S. Navy's Vp-47 'Golden Swordsmen'. Fox Company 2/3 has arrived in Australia.
- Announcements: Four small-scale construction projects will begin at Puuloa this month. Project details include security, electrical upgrades and construction of a covered eating area. Increased activity is expected for a few months. Residents with questions or concerns may call 257-8815.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Notifying Residents of Hours: It was clarified that MCBH does notify residents on Fort Weaver Road of changes in base hours. A Board member requested that further residents be notified of changes in hours as she resides on Papipi Road. Chair Gollner noted he will inform Board members of any information that is sent to him.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mayor's Representative: Executive Director Kaleve Iosefa reported;

- Fort Weaver Road and Kuhina Street Bus Stop Bench: The Mayor's representative provided a response from the City Department of Design and Construction (DDC); however, the response was incorrect and in regards to Renton Road. Iosefa to follow-up on the bus stop bench requests.
- Kapolei Parkway Yield Sign: The City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) revealed that the yield sign and yield markings are appropriately installed along Papipi Road at Kapolei parkway for Papipi Road motorists turning right onto Kapolei Parkway.
- Coral Wall at Hanakahi Road: The damaged rock wall is in the sidewalk area on Fort Weaver Road, which is state owned. The City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) has contacted the State Department of Transportation (DOT), Highways Division to notify them of the damages.
- Crosswalk on Fort Weaver Road: No response has been given pertaining to the lighting of the crosswalk on Fort Weaver Road, fronting the Boys and Girls Club. It was noted the request was forwarded to DTS.
- Oneula Beach Park Port-a-Potties: The City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) added a second port-a-potty on February 1, 2012. Since then, a third port-a-potty has been placed at Oneula Beach Park. Community members noted the three port-a-potties are operational.
- New Smartphone Applications: Community members were informed of three free available smart phone applications (apps) of the City and County of Honolulu. The Da Bus, Honolulu 311 and Honolulu Tsunami Evacuation applications may be downloaded at <http://can-do.honolulu.gov/apps>.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Smartphone Applications: A Board member noted that the 'Da Bus' application is very helpful, noting that the service provides up-to-date route schedules and real-time arrival information. Community members with smart phones were encouraged to download the free applications.
2. Bus Route Changes: Concerns were raised regarding the proposed changes in bus routes island-wide. It was noted the short-range transit plan will affect the Country E Bus route and schedule. Chair Gollner noted that residents may call 768-8305 for questions or inquiries.
3. Board member Concerns: A Board member noted that he has list of concerns to provide to the Mayor's representative. It was noted the list would be emailed to Iosefa and Neighborhood Assistant Ribac.
4. Honolulu Rail Project: A community member raised concerns regarding a statement made pertaining to the elevated rail system quoting that 'the rail can proceed without Federal approval; and if Federal approval is not given, the project can be broken down.' The community member noted that the project should not have started construction without Federal approval.

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Dwayne Lee reported;

- Fire Statistics for March 2012: Included 1 structure and 1 rubbish fires, 80 medical emergencies, 1 search and rescue, 22 miscellaneous emergencies, 1 major incident involving a home at Makalea Loop, which included 10 companies.
- Fire Safety Tip: In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 46,500 home structure fires involving electrical failures or malfunctions. These fires caused 420 deaths, 1,520 injuries and \$1.5 billion in property damages. Residents were reminded to check electrical cords and major electrical appliances.
- Building Identification: Fire, building, and U.S. postal codes and City ordinances state that property owners shall place their house number so that it is visible from the street, which will assist first responders in locating houses quicker and more efficiently.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Mahalo to Fire Fighters: Comments were made thanking HFD and all fire fighters for their continued service in the community.

Councilmember Tom Berg: Councilmember Berg highlighted;

- Council Resolutions Passed: Residents were informed that several council resolutions have been passed. Resolutions included 12-15, pertaining to the mediation of debris caused by the Japan Earthquake as well as a resolution to allow overnight camping during the Ahi Fever Tournament.
- Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO): City Council Resolution 12-57, related to requiring labeling of GMO foods passed second reading in committee. The measure will be on the upcoming Council agenda. Residents can visit the Councilmember's website for video clips of Town Hall meetings held on GMO's.
- Upcoming City Council Meeting: Community members were encouraged to attend the next City Council meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at Kapolei Hale beginning at 10:00 a.m.
- Resolutions Opposed: Councilmember Berg noted that he will be opposing and voting no on City Council Bills 31, 32 and 33. It was noted community members can familiarize themselves with the measures by visiting the Councilmember's website.
- Honolulu Rail Project: The Councilmember voiced concerns related to the Honolulu Rail Project, noting that the project should be done correctly. It was noted that voters in 2008 were not aware of the financial implications that may be brought forth by the rail project. The Councilmember encouraged the community and Neighborhood Board discuss the rail project as soon as possible.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Community Position on Rail: A Board member raised concerns with the overall community's position on rail, noting that Board action has not been taken on the issue. Councilmember Berg noted that the position of the community would assist him as Councilmember as the rail debate continues.
2. Transparency of HART: Several community members provided supportive and unsupportive comments on the rail project and of HART. Community members noted that on occasion HART is very willing and forthcoming to the public; however, at some times are non-transparent to the community.
3. Complete Streets Initiative: It was clarified that the Complete Streets resolution passed second reading; however, the measure may require further assistance to move for final adoption. It was noted although the intentions are good; concerns have been raised regarding the practicality of the measure.
4. Board Action on Rail: Based on several comments and request to hear a presentation on the Honolulu Rail Project and HART, Chair Gollner noted that the Board may be able to hold a Special Meeting on the issue. By providing a Special Meeting both positive and negative points of the project may be discussed.
5. Council Resolution 12-23: A community member informed everyone that Council Resolution 12-23, which urges the City's Agricultural Liaison to expedite the identifying and mapping of important agricultural lands was passed in February. It was noted that areas of the Rail and the Hoopili Project may be within the boundary of important agricultural lands.

Governor's Representative: Deputy Director Leila Kagawa reported;

- State Homeless Strategic Plan: The Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness' draft strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness in Hawaii has been posted online at hawaii.gov/dhs/HomelessnessPlan. The council is responsible for developing the statewide strategic plan for the Governor's review and approval, as well as the plan's implementation.
- Unemployment Insurance Bill: Last month, the Governor enacted House Bill (HB) 2096, which extends the mitigation of the unemployment insurance tax increase. Without the measure, a business would have to pay an additional \$550 per year for each employee in calendar year 2012. The measure will help avoid an increase in costs for every business in the state. It is projected that this one-year tax mitigation extension will contribute \$107 million in direct savings for Hawaii's business community.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Senate Bill (SB) 755: Several concerns were raised related to SB755, relating to economic development. It was noted that the bill intends to 'fast-track' state projects, which in turn will sidestep several permitting processes. It was noted the bill purposefully eliminates public review and should not be passed.
2. School Bus Necessity: A Board member requested the Governor look at the utilization of school busses statewide. It was noted the busses are essential to many school children, and that financial cuts should be taken elsewhere, other than the reduction or elimination of school busses.
3. Traffic Safety Measures: A Board member reiterated several traffic safety concerns, and possible actions that may be taken to correct the concerns. The Board member noted he will email the concerns.
4. Repaving of Fort Weaver Road: A community member raised concerns with the repaving work currently being preformed on Fort Weaver Road. Concerns included the fact that the repairs started midway of Fort Weaver Road, fronting the Prince Golf Course. It was noted the repairs should have started at the beginning of Fort Weaver Road.
5. H1 Freeway Lighting: Concerns were raised with the Governor's lack of repairs to the H1 Freeway lighting as it has been dark for several years. It was noted the repairs should be priority in the department.
6. Crosswalk Lighting Needed: A community member requested information regarding a request to have the crosswalk on Fort Weaver Road fronting the Boys and Girls Club lit during the night. A Board member requested cost estimates, as community organizations may be able to donate funds.

Senator Will Espero: Senator Espero provided his report highlighting;

- Community Members at the Capitol: The Ewa Beach Lions Club was commended for its many service projects during its 47 years of community work. Keoneula Elementary School 5th graders learned about the legislative process on their field trip to the State Capitol. The Senate recognized the James Campbell High School Varsity Cheerleading squad for winning this year's Gator Bowl National Cheer Champions.
- Senate Version of the State Budget: The Senate provided its draft version of the state budget. The draft version reinforces the safety net, restores core services, and invests strategically to stimulate the economy and sustain a more prosperous future for the state.
- Funding for Area Schools: In the Senate version of the state budget, Senator Espero fought for funds for area schools. Funds included \$4 million for the James Campbell High School track and field and \$16 million for the third wing at Ewa Makai Elementary School.
- Senate Bill (SB) 2110: The measure relating to the preservation of Hawaii's moving images designates an archive of digital media products at the University of Hawaii West Oahu (UHWO). The measure continues to move through the legislature and will enter conference committees.
- Senate Bill (SB) 2261: The measure relating to the Weed and Seed program makes an appropriation to the program for fiscal year 2012-2013 to maintain the current operation of the program in areas currently designated for the program. The bill continues to move forward through the legislature.
- Senate Bill (SB) 755: Senator Espero noted that he does not think the measure will pass. The original measure was gutted and replaced by the State House. The current wording of the bill is not favored by the State Senate; however, the bill will continue to move forward in conference committee.
- Development Projects: Residents were informed that since the Senator moved into the Ewa Beach district, he has supported many projects that dealt with development. It was noted that since 1982, the Leeward Coast was slated as the 'second city'. Based on projections, within 50 years the Leeward Coast is anticipated to grow by 25,000 units and 400,000 new residents.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Water and Food Projections: Based on the current projections of homes and residents, concerns were raised regarding the water and food projections. It was noted that all development projects must go through proper permitting processes, where water use is taken into consideration.
2. Senate Bill (SB) 755: It was questioned and clarified that SB755 will be going to conference committee; community members are encouraged to voice their concerns to the Conference Committee Chairperson. It was also noted Senator Espero was not one of the introducers of the bill.
3. List of Bills Requested: A Board member requested a list of all bills and resolution that were introduced by the Senator this legislative session. It was noted the same request will also be made to all other legislators in the district. Senator Espero agreed to provide the list.
4. Area Schools Upgrades: A Board member thanked the Senator for his efforts in providing ample funding to area schools. It was questioned and clarified that although no new high schools may be in the works, a new building will be constructed at James Campbell High School, which hopefully alleviates some issues.
5. Cell Phone Safeguards: A community member voiced concerns with a Bill moving through the legislature that would mandate 'safeguards' on cell phones. It was noted the 'safeguards' may become a violation of one's privacy. The Senator noted he will provide more information on the measure next month.
6. Previously Raised Concerns: A Board member noted that in the past months, he has emailed concerns to the Senator's office via office representative Ron Menor. Senator Espero noted the concerns were received and have been forwarded to the proper departments including DOT.

7. Schools Already Overcrowded: Concerns were raised with the already overcrowded public schools in the district. It was noted that James Campbell High School is over capacity, indicating that the need of a second high school is justified by the community.
8. Students Need Necessities First: Several Board and community members voiced concerns with the overall conditions of public schools, noting that students should be provided necessities first. It was noted that some schools need text books and students should receive proper bus transportation.

Board member Fevella retired from the meeting at 8:30 p.m.; **a quorum of eight (8) members present.**

9. Teacher Pay and Furloughs: Concerns were raised regarding teacher pay and furloughs. It was noted that teachers also pay for school items out of their own pockets. Senator Espero explained that the Teacher's Union opted to take a 5% pay cut and one furlough day; which is different from other state employees who took a straight 10% pay cut and no furlough days.
10. Agriculture vs. Development: Concerns were raised regarding agriculture needs versus development in the community. It was noted that planning of the urban corridor has gone on for decades. The Senator noted that projects like the rail and Hoopili try to balance both development and agriculture, but utilizing Transit Oriented Development (TOD) and agricultural space on home properties in Hoopili.
11. Household Ratio Incorrect: A community member raised concerns with the 1.5 children per household ratio, noting that the ratio is too low for the community. It was noted that at 1.5 children per household, the 25,000 anticipated homes will bring 52,500 children. Concerns noted that children will have no school to go to. It was also noted that new schools will already be at capacity before they are completed.
12. For the Future: Community members reiterated educational concerns and requested that all legislators including the Senator do everything in their power to ensure proper education and materials are provided to children. It was noted the children are what's important, as they are the future of Hawaii.

Representative Rida Cabanilla: Representative Cabanilla provided her report highlighting;

- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Update: Included in the Representative's report, the electrical upgrades for James Campbell High School have started. The design phase for additional classrooms at Ewa Elementary School has started. According to the State Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal guidelines prohibit increasing the speed limit to 45 miles per hour (mph) on Fort Weaver Road.
- Ongoing Issues in the Community: Representative Cabanilla continues to collaborate on several issues in the community including the lighting concerns at Roosevelt Avenue and Renton Road. The special purpose revenue bond for St. Francis Health Care System is moving forward in the legislature.
- Proposed New High Schools: The Representative has been in contact with the State Department of Education (DOE) and was informed that the department is looking at public lands to be considered for a new high school in the area. Representative Cabanilla will keep the community apprised of information.
- Bills through the State House: Both Senate and House bills continue to move through the legislature. Bills that have been supported include a bill that would allocate \$800 million for Public Private Partnerships (PPP) to aide in 'shovel ready projects' and a bill that would repair 10 bridges statewide.
- Aware of Education Concerns: Representative Cabanilla, along with her colleagues at the Legislature is well aware of the education concerns raised in the community. It was noted the DOE receives a majority of the State's budget. Once appropriated to the department, legislators cannot control where the funds are utilized. It was noted the DOE and Board of Education (BOE) have that authority.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Bill List Request: A Board member requested a list of bills introduced by Representative Cabanilla during this legislative session. The Representative noted she would provide that information following the end of session, as she always has provided in the past.

2. DOE Funding Concerns: Concerns were raised regarding the funding of DOE, noting that the department may face utilizing federal funds, which in turn would force the department to comply with federal guidelines. Concerns were raised regarding the dependency on development to have new schools.
3. Attendance and Voting Record: A community member raised concerns with the Representative's track records, which were published in the Civil Neat Newspaper. It was noted the Representative has one of the highest missed attendance records. Concerns were also noted with Representative Cabanilla's voting record, noting that she voted yes on SB755.
4. Development vs. Sustainability: Concerns were raised regarding development versus agriculture and sustainability. It was noted that the Honolulu Rail Project will destroy prime agricultural lands. The Representative note she too shares concerns regarding agriculture; however, the Honolulu Rail Project was voted on by the entire state in 2008, and was voted in favor by the majority of the public.

Representative Kymberly Pine: Jame Schaedel provided the Representative's report highlighting;

- Legislative Session: Community members were informed that as of last Tuesday, a total of 150 bills have been transmitted back to the State Senate for review. For a complete list of bills, residents may visit the website, www.capitol.hawaii.gov.
- University of Hawaii West Oahu (UHWO): The new UH campus will open later this fall for students. A community grand opening celebration is tentatively being planned for Saturday, August 4, 2012 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Community members were encouraged to attend.
- Upcoming Leeward Job Fair: Community members were encouraged to attend the Leeward Job Fair on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Kroc Center in Kapolei. For more information residents can call 586-9730 or email reppine@capitol.hawaii.gov.
- Sabers Cheerleaders Honored: The James Campbell High School Sabers Cheerleaders were honored in both the State Senate and House of Representatives on April 2, 2012 for winning the 2011 Gator Bowl Cheer and Dance National Competition in Jacksonville, Florida.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Relaying of Concerns: Schaedel noted that residents with questions may fill out the request forms and provide them to the Neighborhood Assistant; however, Neighborhood Assistant Ribac clarified that the forms are used for City concerns and that State concerns should be taken by Schaedel.
2. Bill List request: A Board member reiterated her request of all bills introduced by Representative Pine. It was clarified that there are three ways to introduce legislation; and the Board member would like a list of all bills that Pine was first primary introducer.
3. Newspaper Article Quote: Concerns were raised with a quote published in a newspaper article where the Representative quoted Ewa Beach a 'dump'. It was noted the area was never a dump, and was fully developed before Representative Pine took office.
4. Money Allocation/Implementation: Several concerns were raised with the allocation and implementation of state funds for roadways within the district. It was noted residents may be confused with the funds that were already allocated for Fort Weaver, compared to the funds being implemented.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS: Several community concerns were reported at this time;

Ewa Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC): Rodney Boucher or the Ewa EPC provided informational flyers for community members. The EPC will be attending several community events, to which residents are welcomed, including a Wednesday, April 18, 2012 event at UHWO.

Chair Gollner apologized as the motion to support the Ewa EPC was improperly added to the March regular meeting agenda. The Chair noted the Ewa EPC will be placed on the upcoming April regular meeting.

Ewa Community Based Development Organization (CBDO): Members of the Ewa Beach CBDO provided flyers and invited residents to attend the 2012 Hawaii Small Business Fair on Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Leeward Community College (LCC) from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is free for all residents.

Ewa Beach Farmers Market: Community members were encouraged to visit the Ewa Beach Elementary Farmers Market every Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Volunteers and vendors are being sought as well.

Oppose Senate Bill (SB) 755: A community member raised concerns and opposed SB755, relating to economic development and urged the Neighborhood Board to take up the issue tonight. Chair Gollner noted that as the issue cannot be added to the agenda at this time; however, the concern is noted.

Sisters of Saint Francis: Joy Yadao of St. Francis informed the community that the Hawaii Medical Center (HMC) properties continue to go through the bankruptcy process. Thanks were provided to Representative Cabanilla and legislators for their assistance in the matter. Yadao will keep the community apprised of any new information.

GMO Presentation: A community member encouraged residents to attend a presentation by a GMO expert on Saturday, April 14 2012 at the State Capitol from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Residents may also attend a GMO Labeling meeting at the University of Hawaii on Monday, April 16, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mahalo HFD: A community member thanked HFD and the fire fighters that responded to a neighbor's emergency call. It was noted other fire companies were also called to the emergency. The family was also very appreciative.

Oneula Beach Park Clean-up: Community members were encouraged to participate in the Oneula Beach Park clean-up, hosted by the Ewa Beach Lions Club, on Saturday, April 21, 2012, beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Fees to Utilize City Parks: Concerns were raised regarding the potential charge to enter a City park. Residents were strongly encouraged to attend the Wednesday, April 25, 2012 City Council meeting at Kapolei Hale, where discussions will include the parks fee and possible public shooting range.

Ewa Beach Public Library Book Sale: The Friends of Ewa Beach Public Library encouraged community members to support the library and attend the Book Sale on Saturday, April 21, 2012 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Olelo Meeting Broadcasts: A Board member informed residents that the regular Board meetings are broadcasted every first Tuesday of the month of Digital Channel 49 at 9:00 p.m.

BOARD BUSINESS: A recess was called at 9:17 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:27 p.m.

Presentation on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) Food Labeling: Chair Gollner noted community member and presenter Alicia Maluafiti was unable to attend tonight's meeting; a future presentation may be planned.

Rezoning Request – Ewa by Gentry: Debbie Luning explained that Ewa by Gentry is requesting a zoning change for approximately 24.9 acres currently zoned R-5 Residential, with the request to A-1 Low Density Apartment. The zoning change would allow Ewa by Gentry to build single family condominiums.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Original Number of Homes: It was clarified that the original project was to include 310 units; however, has changed to 470 units and 120 single family homes has changed to 350 single family condominiums.
2. Projected Impact on Schools: It was questioned and clarified that the DOE has asked for the projects projections, which were provided. The projections are taken into account by the approving agency, DPP.
3. Previous Zoning Request: It was noted that Ewa by Gentry has requested zoning changes in the past, and it was questioned if the changes have impacted the surrounding communities; Luning noted there have been no problems that she is aware of.
4. Industrial Area Location: It was questioned and clarified that there is an industrial area north of this area. It was noted the industrial area is not within this zone change.

5. Future Projections on Schools: Concerns were raised regarding future projections and affects on area schools, water and wastewater use. It was noted these factors will be taken into consideration.

Lacuesta moved and McCurley seconded the Ewa Neighborhood Board support the Ewa by Gentry rezoning request for areas 17A from R-5 Residential to A-1 Low Density Apartment. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0-0, (Aye: De Jesus, Gollner, Hartsell, Knauer, Lacuesta, McCurley, Rathbun and Tagovailoa-Amosa.)

Variance Application – Fort Weaver Road – Honouliuli: Noting no representatives present, a community member explained that the project may already been built near Zippy's on Fort Weaver Road. It was noted the project came before the Board and its respective committee; however, when questioned about a community benefits' package, the presenters provided no responses. It was questioned if the project has been completed; the variance application is after-the-fact and should be denied.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Information Unknown: Several questions were raised regarding specifics of the project; however, Chair Gollner noted he was unaware of the specifics. It was noted the project may have been proposed by T-Mobile, of which the project may already be completed on Fort Weaver Road.
2. Requested Information in Past: A community member noted that the project came before the Board in the past; however, when the community requested additional information the presenters failed to respond. It was noted the project may not be the T-Mobile project.
3. Suggest Opposing: A community member suggested opposing projects that fail to provide responses to the Board and community. Chair Gollner noted that no action will be taken at this time.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2012: Board members commended Secretary Lacuesta for her portion of the minutes. **Lacuesta moved and McCurley seconded the approval of the regular meeting minutes of March 8, 2012 as amended. The motion was ADOPTED, 7-0-1, (Aye: De Jesus, Gollner, Hartsell, Lacuesta, Lynn, McCurley, Rathbun and Tagovailoa-Amosa; Abstain: Knauer.)**

- Page 5: Governor's Representative: Questions and concerns: Federal Responsibility: Replace, ~~A Board member~~, with A community member.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS: Chair Gollner announced each member included in a committee. Community members may read the entire list, included in the March 8, 2012 regular meeting minutes. Chair Gollner explained that Fevella wished to relinquish his chairmanship of the Public Safety Committee. Chair Gollner appointed Rathbun as Chair and De Jesus as the Vice Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

Health & Social Services: It was noted the committee has one vacancy, which would normally be held by a community member. Volunteers are asked to notify members of the Board or Chairperson. Hearing no volunteers, the vacancy will remain and the community will be asked for volunteers again next month.

Parks and Recreation: Chair Gollner noted that Committee Chair Oshiro is working closely with DPR. Committee Vice Chair Rathbun noted that through a partnership with Haseko he was informed the sewer line project continues, which may be able to provide restroom facility capacities for Oneula Beach Park.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Water at Entrance of Oneula Beach Park: A community member raised concerns with Haseko pumping water near the entrance of Oneula Beach Park. It was noted that the water is deep and has been collecting for the past three days; Rathbun to pass on the concern.

Board member Knauer retired from the meeting at 9:50 p.m.; **a quorum of seven (7) members present.**

Traffic and Transportation: Committee Chair Lacuesta acknowledged the community's request to hear from the Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transit (HART). Traffic concerns raised by the community have been reiterated to elected officials. Outstanding concerns may be emailed to Committee Vice Chair De Jesus.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) Citizen's Advisory: Residents with questions and concerns pertaining to the changes in bus routes island-wide may call 768-8305. Committee Chair Lacuesta was informed

by DTS Director Wayne Yoshioka that the Country E Bus will stop in town, rather than continue its route as the bus is nearly empty by the time it reaches the Ala Moana Shopping Center.

Education, Sports & Arts Committee Chair Tagovailoa-Amosa explained that she does intend to hold a committee meeting. It was noted that the State Board of Education will be meeting on April 26, 2012 in Kapolei, to which the Committee Chair will be attending. Tagovailoa-Amosa will speak to Chair Gollner in preparing an agenda.

No reports were provided for the Environmental, Planning, Permitting and Zoning; Government, Legislative & Military Affairs; Public Safety or Consumer Affairs committees.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Several announcements were made at this time;

- Next Board Meeting: Residents were welcomed to attend the next regular Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. location to be announced.
- Olelo Meeting Broadcasts: Regular Board meetings are broadcasted every first Tuesday at 9:00 p.m. on Olelo Digital Channel 49 and every second and fourth Friday at 12:00 noon on Olelo Channel 54.
- Committee Participation: A community member raised concerns with the lack of participation from both Board and community members. Residents were strongly urged to attend. It was suggested committee Chair's provide community flyers to further publicize committee meetings.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Submitted By: Leland S.M. Ribac, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed and Finalized By: John Gollner, Chair