



MILILANI/ WAIPIO/ MELEMANU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 25

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2007 MILILANI RECREATION CENTER III

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Poirier called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Medeiros, Richard Poirier, Elizabeth Andrews, Susan Hough, Carol Siegel, Ann Freed, Pua Iuli, Douglas Thomas, Alvin Wong, Andrew Garrett, MaryAnne Selander, Jessie Weinberger, Keith Hamada, David Bremer, William Brizee, Mary Bass Segura, Hallah Nilsen, William Bass, Karen Loomis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Josie Kaanehe, Charlie Remington, Noel Araki.

GUESTS: Officer A. Bonafacio, Officer J. Ago, and Lt. S. Nishihara (Honolulu Police Department, District 3, Wahiawa), Pat Lee (HHCTCP), Henry Oliva (Governor's Office), Phyllis Nakasone, Braden Clark Cade McArthur, Dillon McArthur, Caleb Bishop, Representative Marilyn Lee, Major Phil Hughes (US Army, Schofield), Sam Clairmont (Troop 176), Captain B. Samala (Honolulu Fire Department, Mililani), Randy Prothero, Charles Fortner (Nextel), Lisa Skelton, Rick Skelton, Tricia Medeiros (The Plaza), Colin Yokoyama and Daniel Cody (MW Group), Lori Kunioka (Councilmember Nestor Garcia's Office), Chuck Obina (Lead Hawaii), Senator Ron Menor, Kelly Rodriguez (WFI Sprint), Rod Haraga, Nola J. Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 22, 2006: The following corrections/additions were made:

- Page 1, Members present add, "...Hallah Nilsen..."
- Page 1, Honolulu Police Department
- Page 2, should read, "...2) Alapoai Street..."; "...3) Kahoea..."; "...5) Community Policing Team...."

Freed moved and seconded by Brizee to accept the November 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected. The motion carried unanimously 19-0-0.

COMMUNITY FORUM:

Honolulu Fire Department – The Fire Department was present at the meeting, but left on an emergency call.

Honolulu Police Department – Lt. Nishihara reported statistics for the month of December included burglary 20, unauthorized entry of motor vehicle 27, auto thefts 22, miscellaneous 33, and graffiti 11.

Questions and comments: 1) Medeiros asked if there are many problems at the Shack. Lt. Nishihara replied that HPD receives daily calls and riots happen on the weekends in the parking lot. People are definitely out of control. This past weekend was the first time officers had to use a tazer gun on a patron. HPD has sent a letter to the Liquor Commission requesting non-renewal of the establishment's liquor license. The community can help by seeing that the liquor license is not renewed. Medeiros noted according to his son who patronizes the Shack, when a fight occurs they hear management say do not call the police. Representative Lee added the Shack management should be informed about noise pollution and she will draft a letter to the Liquor Commission to remove the liquor license. Lt. Nishihara reiterated send letters of concern to the Liquor Commission. Chair referred this matter to committee for follow up. 2) Bass asked what the response time for a Class 3 burglary is. The response was that the dispatcher sends the call out within five minutes. However, 911 calls are prioritized and an officer is sent out when available. A forty-five minute response time for low priority calls is not unique to Mililani. 3) Weinberger reported jaywalkers between Meheula Parkway and Kuahelani Avenue during the day. 4) Selander asked what the time limit is for commercial trucks to be parked in residential areas. The response was it depends on the weight and length of the truck. The normal time limit is four hours.



Honolulu Police Department District 2 (Wahiawa) Crime Analysis & Targeting: Officers Bonifacio and Agoo presented the following: In October 2006 the Crime Analysis & Targeting Pilot Program for District 2 was started to allow the public access to Crime Trend Information on web. Available on the site are review maps and datasheets to Crime Trends for burglary, unauthorized entry of a motor vehicle, motor vehicle theft, auto theft recovery, and graffiti. If your neighborhood does not have a Neighborhood Security Watch and your community would like to establish one, contact the District 2 Resource Team at 621-0785 extension 269. To get to the website log on to www.honoluluupd.org and click on to D2, Wahiawa, North Shore. Access crime trends by clicking on the D2 Crime Trends button. A handout was circulated with information and crime trend statistics for interested persons to review. Lt. Nishihara, Officer Bonifacio and Officer Agoo were thanked for attending the meeting.

7:43 p.m. Andrews arrived (19 members present).

Military – Major Hughes reported the Army continues to send soldiers to Iraq and 4,000 soldiers remain at Schofield Barracks. They will continue working with the community on activities.

Questions and comments: Freed mentioned that a television new report regarding a drug arrest for attempting to sell drugs to soldiers on base and asked how the civilians were able to do that. Major Hughes replied he was unaware of the news report.

O’ahu Arts Center – No report.

Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project (HHCTCP) – Pat Lee reported the 28-mile route was approved on December 22, 2006. On January 6, 2007, Mayor Hannemann signed into law ordinance 07001, defining the locally preferred Alternative (LPA) for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. The HHCTCP speaker bureau will continue to make presentations to those civic and community groups who would like to hear about what’s contained in the Alternatives Analysis study. Pat Lee was thanked for attending the meeting.

Other Community Concern:

Volvo Life Awards - Selander reported that seventeen year old Kyle Monet of Mililani High School has received a Heroes Award from the Ronald McDonald House. Anyone interested can submit his name to volvolifeawards.com, for a chance for him to win a Volvo automobile for life. Volvo gives a car to a winner every three years. One of five names submitted is selected.

Boy Scouts – Members of Boy Scout Troops 195 and 176 introduced themselves.

Recognition: Certificates of Appreciation and lei were presented to Rod Haraga, former Director of the State Department of Transportation from the board, the House of Representative and the Senate The board certificate read: “For his hard work, dedication, and outstanding achievement as the State of Hawaii Transportation Director. Your recognition as a consummate professional who best exemplifies excellence in public service is truly an inspiration to us all.”

PUBLIC FORUM:

Proposed Mililani Mauka Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility – Collin Yokoyama, Project Manager for MW Group and Sound Health Management. The proposed project would be located in Mililani Mauka across from the Park and Ride, and be part of the Ololoa Retirement Community on a parcel that was set aside for seniors. Proposed is a three story building to accommodate approximately 96 residents. The architectural design has started with completion in the spring; start of the project is the end of this year. The facility would provide a range of assisted services for seniors and is not a nursing home. Tricia Medeiros of the Plaza (another facility) and Rick Skelton (facility operator) were introduced.

Questions and comments: 1) Several units will be affordable. 2) Iuli commented that at the Punchbowl facility cost seems reasonable and would Medicare patients be accepted at this facility. The response was that reimbursement from Medicare does not meet costs. Other states have affordable units’ per diem; we are not opposed to affordable facilities. 3) Relative to parking, Selander asked where the staff would be parking. Yokoyama replied there will be more than 26 parking stalls. Majority of the workers will not be driving to work, just management. The company has a bus reimbursement program or workers carpool. 4) The facility will have

a combination of apartment style single and shared units. Shared units would be partitioned and kitchenettes and bathrooms would be shared. 5) Nilsen asked in the future, would the units be made affordable for people of low incomes? In answer, Medicare may have assisted programs for people with low incomes. 6) Andrews asked would the facility be similar to the Plaza in Punchbowl. Yokoyama replied the design is in the early stages, and space is limited due to the size of the lot. 7) Luli asked if social workers would be part of the staff. In response, resident administration is not required. 8) Representative Lee commented there is a need in the community for resident care, and asked if the facility would be providing short-term respite. The answer was yes, because it has been a success at Punchbowl facility and 25 percent of the respite patients moved permanently into the facility. Representative Lee noted that a certain number of beds be considered for the community as respite. Collin Yokoyama, Tricia Medeiros, and Rick Skelton were thanked for attending the meeting.

Proposed PCS Sprint Telecommunications Facility at Mililani Shopping Center – Kelley Rodriguez reported Sprint Telecommunications will be applying for a Conditional Use Permit Minor (CUP minor) for a proposed fifty-seven foot monopole at the Mililani Shopping Center located in back of the 24 Hour Fitness. The monopole would be added to the light pole. A four-foot dish at forty feet with two five-foot antennas at the top for coverage to the Waipio area is proposed. An existing site is situated at the Mililani High School. The proposed site is owned by A & B, and has a B-2 zoning height limit of sixty-feet. The antenna pole would be painted to match the surrounding trees. The width of the pole is approximately three-feet in diameter. Two handouts relative to site plan 1 and a site plan of the Shopping Center were available for interested persons to review. Kelly Rodriguez was thanked for attending the meeting.

Proposed Nextel Stealth Monopole at Recreation Center IV – Charles Fortner reported due to the growing demand for service in the Mililani area, Nextel is in the process of upgrading service and has a need to establish a new wireless facility at the Mililani Town Association Recreation Center IV, located at 94-233 Makapipipi Street. Nextel is seeking Board support for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and waiver to the zoning district height requirement to allow for a new stealth mono-palm to camouflage the antennas. A secured equipment compound will also be installed on the ground next to the mono-palm once the permits are obtained. The system proposed for the site will consist of nine to twelve sixty-inch tall antennas that are eight-inches wide with a twenty-foot by fifty-foot equipment compound. The antennas will be painted to blend with the leaves of the mono-palm. The proposed antenna site will be located in an unused area and outside the existing fenced area of the recreation center facility.

Questions and comments: 1) the mono-palm is made of fiberglass material, and would be painted to match the palm leaves, which are approximately fourteen feet in length. 3) The generator would be encased in a cabinet and generates about sixty kilowatts of electricity. 4) Brizee asked if the antenna could co-locate on the Civil Defense pole, so there would be only one pole in the neighborhood. He commented the palm tree idea is ridiculous. Brizee wanted to know if other carriers were approached regarding co-location, and if alternate sites were an option. He suggested using the light poles at the District Park; expressed concerns relative to the location; and believes the stealth pole would be taller than shown in the simulation on the handout. Brizee also noted that a commercial venture should be on commercial property, and was not in support of the antenna. 5) Nilsen asked if this site was chosen because of the generators. Fortner replied more generators are being installed as backup at antenna sites for hurricane preparedness. In the event of a disaster cell phones would be operable. The extra generators would run only in the event of a major emergency. 6) Selander opposed the location site. The proposed site would provide better coverage for the entire area. 7) Brizee questioned why co-location cannot be done on existing poles. Fortner replied they are two different systems and does not cover the same areas. However, Nextel has co-located over the years. Charles Fortner was thanked for attending the meeting.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Mayor's Representative: Michelle Kidani reported: Mayor Hannemann sends his Aloha. China Town Year-of-the-Boar buttons, in celebration of Chinese New Year, were distributed to board members. Anyone wearing the buttons or carrying the booklet will receive discounts during the month of February. The monthly Honolulu News was circulated for interested persons to review. The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) investigated and found that the traffic signal sensor loops at the intersection of Lanikuhana Avenue going into the Mililani Town Center at Tesoro were damaged from a road resurfacing project. The traffic signal is currently operating on fixed time until the sensor loops can be replaced. The Department of Design and Construction (DDC) contacted and were advised about the damage, since they are responsible for the resurfacing project. Regarding the Town Center sprinkler system, DDC revised the irrigation plans to include new pump requirements. At the request of the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the project has been re-priced

to include the original automatic sprinkler system and irrigation for the entire park. DDC is presently requesting the additional funds for the cost increase. A supervisor from the Division of Urban Forestry (DUF) inspected the area where the big banyan tree was removed at the entrance to Waena Park off Naholoholo and discussed the replanting with the District Manager. DUF will plant a shade tree replacement once the replanting is completed for the areas most devastated by the Erythrina gall wasp. Follow up would be done when the contract is let out to bid. Regarding the sprinkler system at Waena tennis courts, the District III Maintenance Supervisor checked on the situation and found that the back flow preventor was stolen last week. The temporary system installed by the contractor was designed to be a temporary irrigation system that was put in to stabilize the area that was disturbed outside of the tennis courts. It will not be reattached as it was only a temporary system. An inspection of a City Silver Buttonwood tree at the corner of Ikaloa and Kipapa Drive was done on January 5, 2007. Removal is warranted and the tree work will be performed the latter part of January 2007. The malfunctioning streetlight fronting 95-170 Neve Place was repaired on December 7, 2006. The streetlight on Wenuka Place was repaired on November 30, 2006.

Questions and comments: 1) Follow up will be done if Bill 06-369 passed today's session. 2) Chair reported dead trees surrounding the Waena tennis courts. 3) Follow up will be done regarding the Naholoa Park improvements. 4) Follow up will be done with DPP regarding illegal dumping on an empty lot located at the end of Waiianuhea Place. Michelle Kidani was thanked for attending the meeting.

Governor's Representative – Henry Oliva said that Lillian Koller was unable to attend tonight's meeting. The Governor's Update, a booklet with the 2007 Initiatives, and the 10 inaccurate statements made by the Democrat legislators' after the Governor's State-of-the State Address were distributed. Oliva was available for questions.

Questions and comments: 1) Chair reported copper down spout thefts at Mililani Library, which were replaced with plastic down spouts and asked if the spouts could be painted. 2) Chair asked the status of the board's request to meet with the Governor. Follow up will be done. Henry Oliva was thanked for attending the meeting.

Senator Ron Menor – Senator Menor reported his office is always open to the public. Today was the deadline for bill reduction. His new responsibilities this session will be Chair of the House Energy and Environment Committee and member of the Senate Ways and Health Committee. The focus this year would be and afternoon zipper lane, school and district concerns, and other issues impacting the community.

Questions and comments: 1) Selander asked how many bills on assessment and property tax were introduced. Senator Menor asked if she could submit specific proposals. 2) Nilsen asked if there is a plan to include townhouses with recycling. Nilsen wanted to know the efficiency of the beverage container recycling beverage machines. In response, one possibility is to have recycle containers available for use. Another option would be to have retail redemption centers and have hearings on the subject. 3) Medeiros raised concern regarding the increase use of all terrain vehicles (ATV). He emphasized the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) does not have enough staff for enforcement and leaves that for HPD to handle. A law is needed requiring licenses and ages for riding the vehicle. The Senator replied a significant increase in DLNR staff is needed and an increase for personnel has been included in the budget. A bio-log is maintained with HPD. Medeiros emphasized the need for restrictions. Follow up will be done relative to laws and rules, and, designated usage areas. Ron Menor was thanked for attending the meeting.

Representative Marilyn Lee – Representative Lee circulated her written report and noted her committee assignments for the Twenty-fourth Legislature are Vice Chair for the Committee on Finance, member of the Committee on Transportation, Committee on Labor and Public Employment, and Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs. The report included Capital Improvement Project (CIP) requests. Groundbreaking for the Mililani High School drop off, turnaround, and guest parking for the new 10-classroom building is scheduled for March of this year. She traveled to North Hawaii with the Finance and Agriculture Chairs to inspect damage to the Waimea irrigation system and the upper Hamakua ditch as a result of the recent Kiholo earthquake. The area is critical because farmers depend on these waters for their crops. Representative Lee has introduced seven bills, one of which is to provide reimbursement care for loved ones at home.

Questions and comments: 1) Regarding the CIP request for Mililani High School drop off, CIP is a request proposal to provide funding for the project. Work is done by either DAGS or a contractor. It was suggested for interested persons to attend the Mililani High School Community Council meetings for more information. 2) Resident Randy Prothero who lives a couple of blocks away from the Shack expressed noise concerns occurring at 2 a.m. Relative to the copper thefts, Prothero noted that copper was stolen from homes that were in escrow. Representative Lee answered that she has a proposed bill from a Mililani Group on the matter. Copper theft is a statewide problem. 3) Regarding the CIP request for Mililani Middle School drop off, Brizee asked

where the parking lot could be expanded. In response, the CIP request is from the library. 4) Respite means short term care to give caregivers a couple of days off for people not confined to beds. She said she would be pleased if the proposed Mililani Mauka Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility would set aside five beds for respite. Iuli added that respite is good for the community. 5) Kidani mentioned the introduction today of HB 1512, relating to helping neighborhood boards deal with the Sunshine Law and asked for board support. Representative Lee was thanked for attending the meeting.

Representative Ryan Yamane – Danielle Bass apologized for the Representative not being in attendance this evening. This Legislative Session Representative Yamane will chair the House Tourism Committee, is an active member of the Agriculture Committee, Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee, Economic Development and Business Concerns Committee and the Judiciary Committee. Main priorities unveiled by the State House of Representatives identify affordable housing, healthcare, energy and disaster preparedness as key initiatives. Representatives Yamane and Lee are working to develop a fulltime Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system for Mililani. A bill has been proposed to study the impact to create a racetrack and access the cost of development. The purpose is to get racing off the streets and highways. Hanalani School will receive a special purpose revenue bond.

Questions and comments: 1) Follow up will be relative the CIP request for playground facilities and the administration building. Danielle Bass was thanked for attending the meeting.

Councilmember Nestor Garcia – Lori Kunioka distributed the written report and noted: The City is finalizing the bid contract for the Kipapa Drive Traffic Calming Modification and the contractor is waiting to begin work. Roadwork has been completed on Lanikuhana Avenue, Meheula Parkway (east) to Ahiku Street; Meheula Parkway (Ainamakua Drive to Kaapehe Street, Ainamakua Drive (Makaikai Street), Ukuwai Street (Makaikai Street to Ainamakua Drive), Kipapa Drive (Ikaloa Street Honolulu end) to Kipapa Drive (near Kaumea Place, Kipapa Drive (Kaalolo Place to Lelewalo Street). Councilmember Garcia is Chair of the Transportation Committee.

Questions and comments: 1) Weinberger asked if the City had plans to burn paper rather than recycle. Kunioka replied there is a bid to go out for another H-Power type facility. 2) Follow up will be done if plastics are separated or burned. 3) Selander commented that Mililani has streets needing rehabilitation. Lori Kunioka was thanked for attending the meeting.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:

Chair – Constituents were thanked for participating as candidates in the upcoming Neighborhood Board Elections. The Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Board meeting will be aired on Channel 49, this Sunday at 6 p.m. Chair asked for a motion to allow him to testify on behalf of the board at the legislature. **Iuli moved and seconded by Andrews that Chair Poirier testify at the legislature on behalf of Neighborhood Board No. 25. The motion carried unanimously, 19-0-0.**

There was no committee or other reports.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Resolution/Motion on Proposed Mililani Mauka Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility: Bremer moved and seconded by Freed in support of the proposed Mililani mauka assisted Living and Memory Care Facility (attached).**

Discussion followed: Be It Resolved was amended to read that Neighborhood Board No. 24 supports the proposed construction and operation of the Ukuwai Street Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility; and recommends at least five short term respite beds at all time. Bremer and Freed agreed.

The motion adopted unanimously, 19-0-0.

- **Resolution/Motion on Proposed PCS SPRINT Telecommunications Facility at Mililani Shopping Center:** Deferred until the next meeting.
- **Resolution/Motion on Proposed Nextel Stealth Monopole at Recreation Center IV:** Deferred until the next meeting.

- **Resolution Requesting Honolulu City and County Enforcement of Laws Prohibiting Portable Signs: Bremer moved and seconded by Freed be it resolved that Neighborhood Board No. 25 requests the Honolulu Police Department begin enforcing the law prohibiting portable signs on public sidewalks and to issue citations to anyone abusing public bicycle facilities in such a manner. The motion was adopted unanimously, 19-0-0.**
- **Resolution Regarding the Need for More of a Police Presence in Mililani: Bass moved and seconded by Brizee be it resolved that Neighborhood Board 25 requests that the City and County of Honolulu increase the level of police services provided to residents of Mililani, Waipio, Melemanu, and Mililani Mauka by the Wahiawa Police Station by adding beats and Patrol Officers to enable more frequent patrol, and establishing a permanent presence in these areas by creating a Mililani Office for use by the Honolulu Police Department . The motion was adopted unanimously, 19-0-0.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, February 28, 2007, Mililani Recreation Center III, at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – luli moved and seconded by Brizee to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Submitted by:
Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:
Dick Poirier, Chair