



MAKAKILO/ KAPOLEI/ HONOKAI HALE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 34

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2010 KAPOLEI HIGH SCHOOL CAFETORIUM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Maeda Timson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.; with a quorum of eight (8) members present. Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Roll Call / Appoint Timekeeper / Statement of Order and Decorum.

Members Present – Troy Cullen, Kioni Dudley, Mike Golojuch, Jack Legal, Evelyn Souza, Maeda Timson, Linda Young (arrived 8:25 p.m.), and Charles Zahn.

Members Absent – George Yamamoto.

Vacancies – None.

Guests – Puni Chee (Office of Councilmember Nestor Garcia), Michael Doyle, Marialena and Dixie Kalamau, Tesha Kobashigawa (Office of Councilmember Todd Apo), Lee Tokuhara, Thad Spreg, Michael Golojuch, Jr., Mahina Kahele, Mel Kahele (Ironworkers Union), Lorraine Martinez, Jackie Zahn, Delilah D. Bite, Carolyn Golojuch, Hannah Miyamoto (Sierra Club), Gary K. Omori (Honolulu Rail Transit), Mike Freitas, Glenn Oamilda, Ralph Faufata, Austin Zayala (The Hawaii Independent), Matt Higashida and Bonnie Arakawa (Department of Planning and Permitting), Stephen Fredette, Capt. Thomas Simon (Honolulu Fire Department), Malia Chanel-Benjamin (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Capt. Thomas Simon reported the following information:

- Statistics for May 2010 – Included 133 alarms of which 13 were fire related; 2 structure, 5 wildland, 4 rubbish and 2 vehicle fires; 66 medical emergencies and 54 miscellaneous calls for service.
- Fire Safety Tip – Summer usually accompanies hot weather and dry vegetation conditions increasing the risk of wildland fires. Residents are asked to practice their fire escape plan, make a 10-30 foot fire break between vegetation and clutter around homes and to remove combustible debris from around buildings.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

Vegetation Overgrowth – It was suggested to call the local HFD to report if there were any concerns regarding overgrowth.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – A circulated report highlighted the following information:

- Crime Statistics for May 2010 – Included total calls for service of 1952; there was an increase in burglaries, property damages and motor vehicle collisions.
- HPD Safety Tip - Report any suspicious activity, vehicles including license plates numbers, and/or person description. Reporting arson information is highly recommended to raise awareness and efforts in brushfire prevention that is affecting the west side district. Please call the HPD Arson Investigators at 529-3115 and/or HFD Investigators at 488-7955.

Mayor Mufi Hannemann – Manny Lanuevo reported the following:

- Roadway Median Safety – Section 291-77 of the City Ordinance states no person shall stand in, walk along, or otherwise occupy a portion of a highway for the purpose of soliciting a ride, employment,



business, or contributions from the occupant of any vehicle. Please call 9-1-1 if anyone is in violation of one of these hazardous situations.

- Counterfeit Bus Passes – HPD is currently conducting an investigation; no information can be shared at this time during the investigation.
- Makakilo Drive “No Parking” Signs – The City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) does have a ‘No Parking Anytime-Begin’ and ends on the far side of the Watercolors driveway division which serves as the ‘no parking’ zone appropriately. There is also an existing official bus stop designated by the red curbing along with the ‘no parking’ sign; combined signs were appropriate for the no parking designation area.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1) Kapolei Skate Park – A group of about 15 skaters were present to plea for the completion of the bathrooms adjacent to the Skate Park and point to cover graffiti. The skaters and their families have taken charge of the skate park maintenance and general up-keep. The bathrooms completion was promised by the City months ago and the graffiti continues to need constant painting over.

Chair Timson thanked the skaters for their care of adopting the park and keeping it safe and clean and referred them to Manny Lanuevo, the Mayor’s representative who was present.

Member Souza offered to donate the necessary paint to cover over the graffiti.

- 2) TheBus – There was concern that the local bus ended too early at 9:00 p.m. A suggestion to DTS to perhaps consider extending bus hours to facilitate the many residents in Kalaeloa that now depend on the bus as transportation.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – George Kuo reported the following information:

- Water Quality – BWS conducts thousands of tests on the water source and distribution system to ensure all federal and state safe drinking water standards meet or exceeds. The results of those tests are shared in the annual water quality report currently being mailed to BWS customers by July 1, 2010. Reports are also available online.
- Summer Conservation – The hot summer months bring increased water use; BWS asks all Oahu residents should be vigilant and use water without waste. Some simple tips include: check for leaks, turn off the tap when brushing teeth or shaving, install a nozzle on the garden hose, and don’t water lawns between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- Reach BWS by calling 748-5000 or on their website at www.boardofwatersupply.com.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1) General Water Concern – Residents experiencing water problems should call 748-5000 to report it.

Council Chair Todd Apo – Tasha Kobashigawa distributed Chair Apo’s report and highlighted the following:

- Dust Issue – The City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) reported after inspecting the Vista project concluded a citation was not warranted; the developer has layered the excavated dirt ramp preventing further dust from spreading to Aloun farm and quarry nearby.
- Reach Councilmember Apo by email at tapo@honolulu.gov. or at 768-5001.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

Dust Issue – It was suggested the developer notify nearby residents to ensure the dust would be contained as the erected dust sheet was only 24-feet in height. Residents affected were in the radius of up to 200 feet from the excavation site; residents are asked to contact the Kapolei Mills Association to rectify any complaints.

Councilmember Nestor Garcia – Puni Chee distributed Councilmember Garcia’s report and highlighted the following information:

- Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Budget – On June 9, 2010, the Council approved the following FY 2011 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) affecting the district: Nanakuli Regional Park Lands-\$3million; Kapolei Consolidated Corporation Yard-\$600,000; Ewa Villages R1 Waterline Improvements-\$500,000; West Loch R1 Waterline Improvements-\$300,000; Waianae Police Station-\$5million; East Kapolei Fire Station-\$4.5million; Guardrail Improvements-\$395,000; Kapolei Parkway-\$18.55million; Farrington Highway-\$1.5million; Oahu Secondary Landfill Site selection-\$500,000; Solid Waste to Energy Demonstration Project-\$250,000; H-Power Expansion-\$142.853million; H-Power Rehabilitation of existing equipment-\$4million; Kalaeloa Regional Park Master Plan-\$50,000; Leeward Coast Park Improvements-\$1million; and Honolulu High Capacity Transit Project \$1.3billion.
- New Councilmember – Former Police Chief Lee Donohue was selected from amongst a list of six qualified applicants; he will serve out the remainder of the seat's term ending January 2, 2011.
- Fireworks – The Council will be taking the discussion on Bill 34 amending and to enact stricter standards for the regulation of fireworks. This past legislative session, Senate Bill 1059 was approved allowing each county the ability to enact ordinances that can be more restrictive than the current State law. Residents are asked to call HFD at 768-5053 to report any suspicious activities that may lead to fire breakout; and call 9-1-1's non-emergency number to also report any information leading to arson issues.
- Reach Councilmember Nestor Garcia by email at ngarcia@honolulu.gov or by phone at 768-5009.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1) Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) Budget – The budget has and will affect some operations at the NCO.

Honolulu Rail Transit – Gary Omori reported the following information:

- Final Impact Study (FEIS) – Mayor Hannemann announced that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has approved the FEIS for the Honolulu Rail Transit Project for release. The FEIS is available at the DTS office at Honolulu Hale, 650 South King Street, Third Floor of the Fasi Municipal Building or by writing to FTA Region Nine, No. 1650, San Francisco, California, 94105.
- Record – The record of decision is due after a State quality control review period of 30 days from this Friday, June 25, 2010 once it's filed with the State. Public comments are welcomed and should be mailed to the DTS office and the FTA San Francisco address as written above.
- Reach TOD at 768-8000 or visit www.honoluludpp.org/planning or www.honolulutrainsit.org.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

FEIS – The document is also available at State libraries and can be viewed online at the project website at www.honolulutrainsit.org.

All other Elected Official reports were circulated:

Senator Mike Gabbard can be reached at 586-6830 or email at senbabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov.
Representative Sharon Har can be reached at 586-8500 or email at rephar@capitol.hawaii.gov.

COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Neighborhood Commission (NC) Complaints – A resident commented that he is still waiting for a number of complaints to be heard by the Neighborhood Commission. Member Dudley comments that some complaints against him have cleared him and he will not be at the next meeting because he was sanctioned by the Neighborhood Commission.
- Hawaiian HomeLands/Parcel 24 – There was an article stating that a motorcross race-track company had claimed to have purchased HHL for the option of building a race track on the particular land that is possibly zoned preservation. If the claim is true; therefore, the Department of Hawaiian Homelands should offer options to qualified local families to make a bid to purchase some of this land. If the claim is false; perhaps DHH should offer a solution to defuse the rumor. There is also speculation that the land adjacent to the parcel 24 was contracted or leased for a racetrack; however, the land is zoned preservation. The surrounding land at Parcel 24, Ewa, mountain and ocean direction, was all reported to be in preservation zoned areas; a race track would destroy any preserved. The Hawaii Community Development Authority

(HCDA) was not in attendance at tonight's meeting advice on the issue; an inquiry should be sent to HDCA for clarification. HHL was also not present at tonight's meeting.

- Playground Equipment – Missing at parks were play apparatus serving disabled children. Families of disabled children asked for an inclusion as some parks are found not in compliance with the American Disability Act (ADA).
- Skateboarders – Reported to be a safety hazard, were skate boarders rushing down Makakilo Drive hills risking many drivers and themselves from being hit by vehicles.
- Bill 444 – Those supporting the civil union bill should urge the governor not to veto the bill. Support the bill by calling 586-0034/0222.
- Illegal Signs- Small business owners placing signs on official posts and signs are in violation of the law; perhaps the government agencies affected should pursue citations to curb the illegal placement of such signs.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF:

March 24, 2010 – The Minutes had already been approved.

April 28, 2010 – The following amendments were presented:

- Page 1: Insert the heading at the top: Draft Regular Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, April 28, 2010, Kapolei High School Cafeteria. **Golojuch moved to adopt the April 28, 2010 meeting minutes as amended: (Aye: Cullen, Golojuch, Legal Souza, Yamamoto, Young and Zahn. Abstain: Dudley).**

May 26, 2010 – The following amendments were presented:

- Page 3: under BWS's Questions, comments and concerns No. 1, delete "twice a month" and insert "every two months".
- Page 4: under Community Concerns; Community Participation: (first line) Delete "A commented that often during every meeting, family members participates too much and it should not be allowed. However, an objection raised was offended by the comment." and insert "Member Dudley commented that often during every meeting, Golojuch family members participate too much and it should not be allowed. However, an objection was raised by member Golojuch. He was offended by the comment."

There were no objections to the proposed amendments; however, Dudley recommended accepting the minutes as written.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Clean Energy and Waste Management Proposed Facility in Campbell Industrial Park – Paul Chinen from Kamehameha Environmental LLC presented the following information:

- Technology – Herhof GMBH, a German company currently operating around the world offers this state of the art technology to treat solid waste by using what it calls Mechanical Biological Treatment. The technology is odor free and the oxidation of the air emissions guarantee to be environmental friendly. The combustion stage also sorts pollutants that produce dioxins and furans and results to very low ash content.
- Fuel – The fuel produced called TrockenStabilitat is of a high concentration in renewable material that meets the quality criteria set by industrial plants that have high power consumption using cement, steel or fuel. This process if used in Hawaii holds the solution not only for the landfills but for energy solution as well.
- Benefits – Some benefits include the fuel production that can be used as an alternative fuel at power production facilities, recovery of high purity recyclables products, considerably limited requirements in terms of area availability, so it can be located in densely populated areas.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1) Clean Fuel/Toxins – The ash created was not toxin; and fuel produced will be clean. This will not affect any landfill.

- 2) Cost/Labor – The cost to the City will be \$100 per ton of garbage. There will be no need for export of trash and Oahu can look forward to finally closing Waimanalo Gulch. Oahu can reclaim the landfill by extracting and running the materials through the systems for cleaner disposal. An environmental impact study will be needed. The production will need about 200 employees and will need to retain about 50 union employees.
- 3) Worldwide Locations – The Company has 40 plants worldwide since 1997; 12 in Europe including Venice, Italy and Cyprus, Greece. However the compost technology has been in existence since 1950.
- 4) **Support Motion** – **Golojuch moved for the Kapolei Neighborhood Board No. 34 to support the MBT technology concept and asks Herhof GMBH to continue updating the community and the Board of its plans. The motion ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 8-0-0 (Aye: Cullen, Dudley, Golojuch, Legal, Souza, Young, Zahn, and Timson).**

Transit Oriented Development Plan (TOD) for East Kapolei, Public Review Draft – Matt Higashida, Planner and Project Manager, City & County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting reported the following information for the East Kapolei Rail Station:

- TOD – TOD is the development of the places and spaces surrounding the transit stations. TOD is a pattern of different land uses, such as housing, retail, office, and commercial that takes advantage of the high ridership and convenience of transit.
- Location – TOD takes place in all types of neighborhoods, from urban to suburban; generally encompassing a radius of one-quarter mile around a transit station as this was considered a comfortable walking distance to the transit station.
- Benefits – TOD promotes compact development and considers the entire network of travel modes, including riding transit, driving, biking and walking. TOD will be well integrated with transit reducing overall transportation costs and will also provide pedestrian and bicycle friendly communities.
- Interests – TODs will be designed and built by private developers on private land. The City's role is to encourage and enable good TOD "publicly enabled; privately implemented". Its success depends on many factors, including government regulations, community support, developer interest, and market conditions. It is important that all community representatives, landowners, residents, businesses, and civic organizations participate in the planning of TOD to assure that community values are reflected in the development projects. The city is highly supportive of public-private partnerships under the TOD program and will continue to work with the development industry to meet its needs in creating high-quality TOD projects.
- Public Input – For further TOD information; call 768-8045 or email Matt Higashida at mhigashida@honolulu.gov.

Motion – **Golojuch moved for the Kapolei Neighborhood Board No. 34 accept and approve the idea of the East Kapolei TOD Plan including the Board's support movement to be forwarded to the City Council.** Discussion followed focusing on the following: Use of the ORL should still be considered; Ewa resident want more input of the TOD Plan; what will happen if the Ho'opili Development does not happen; Review again the Ewa Development Plan; and Preserve more land for agriculture. **The motion ADOPTED 6-1-1 (Aye: Cullen, Golojuch, Legal, Young, Zahn and Timson. No: Dudley. Abstain: Souza).**

Board Approval for Fiscal Year July 2010 through June 2011:

Board Recesses – The consensus of the Board was to take a recess in November 2010.

Board Meeting Day and Time – The consensus of the Board was to continue meeting at the Kapolei High School with the same day, Wednesdays beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Videotaping and Cost – The consensus of the Board was to continue videotaping.

Board Meeting Facility and Cost – The consensus of the Board was to continue to meet at Kapolei High School.

REPORTS:

Chairs' Report – Chair Timson Report, Correspondence and Other Chair Information:

- D.R. Horton sent an updated Ewa Development Plan progress report; a summarized report was circulated.
- Kapolei Property Development sent a letter in response to Kioni Dudley's comment of their non-community notification.

- Just Tacos is Ko'olina is holding a grand opening event.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Young reported the following: 1) May 2010 – The Operating account balance was \$910.77. Expenditures were \$38.82 for printing/postage of agenda/minutes; leaving a closing balance of \$871.95. The Publicity account was \$500. An expense of \$250 was for videotaping (April 2010); leaving a closing balance of \$250. 2) June 2010 – The Operating account balance was \$871.95. Expenditures were \$631.53 for facility rental and printing/postage of agenda/minutes; leaving a closing balance of \$871.95. The Publicity account was \$500. An expense of \$250 was for videotaping (April 2010); leaving a closing balance of \$250. The Treasurer's report of May and June 2010 was filed as reported.

Committees:

Transportation – Member Golojuch reported that the committee supports the TOD amendments that will affect serving the disabled and senior citizens. The July 2010 meeting will hold an election of the Citizen's Advisory Committee Officers delaying its bylaws update.

Committee of the Whole – Member Souza asked residents to submit concerns relating to her committee at 255-8297 or reach her by email at esouza_khmn34@yahoo.com.

Planning and Zoning – There was no current report available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Olelo Broadcasts – The Board meeting aired on 'Olelo cable television Channel 49, Monday evenings at 9:00 p.m.
- Next Board Meeting – The Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34's next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at Kapolei High School Cafeteria.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Submitted by,
Mary Chanel-Benjamin
Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by,
Chair Maeda Timson