



## DIAMOND HEAD/KAPAHULU/ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 5

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2013 ALA WAI CLUBHOUSE**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Linda Wong called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. **with a quorum of 11 members present.** (Note - This 15-member Board requires eight (8) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.) Anyone wishing to speak is asked to raise their hand, and when recognized by the Chair address comments to the Chair. Speakers are encouraged to keep their comments under two (2) minutes each, so all Board members will have an opportunity to comment. If a Board member has a conflict of interest, he/she should declare it before a vote is taken. This does not necessarily bar members from voting. All members of the Board and community are to display proper order and decorum during Neighborhood Board meetings. The Board has a special topic tonight and if everyone remains calm, everyone can share information. If one came to share under Community Concerns, one can fill out the Community Concerns form at the entrance table and refer fire or police-related concerns to the Public Safety Officers.

**Members Present** - Julia Allen, Lee Manfredi, Victoria Mathieu, Michelle Matson (arrived at 7:10 p.m.), Barbara Miller (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Bertha Naho'opi'i, Bert Narita, Don Persons, Laura St. Denis, Lance Takenaka, Bryn Villers (arrived at 7:04 p.m.), George Waialeale, George West, and Linda Wong.

**Members Absent** - Michael Cain.

**Vacancies** - There are no vacancies.

**Guests** - Attorney General David Louie (Governor Neil Abercrombie's Representative), Deputy Attorney General Hugh R. Jones, State Senator Sam Slom, State House Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say; State Representative Scott Nishimoto and Kevan Wong (State Representative Scott Nishimoto's Office staff member); State Representative Bertrand Kobayashi, Walea Constantinou (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative, Honolulu Film Office), Councilmember Ann Kobayashi and Jarret Yip (Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's Office staff), Micah Munekata (Councilmember Stanley Chang's Office staff), Acting Captain Victor Sherman (Honolulu Fire Department); Sergeant Susan Medeiros and Officer Shane Fujitani (Honolulu Police Department, District 7); Justin Kessler (Board of Water Supply), Barbra Armentrout, Wendell Murakawa, Joyce Spoehr (Race for the Cure), Dick Quinn, Sophie Johnson, Kim-Hee Wong; Charlie and Nancy Derdoit; Karl and Terri Herman; Larry Geller, Kerrie Villers, Liz Larson (Waikiki Neighborhood Board No. 9), Veronica Worth, Katherine Lee, Maiya Smith, Daisy Murai, Carol Hopkins (KPPS), and K. Russell Ho (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

### **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS**

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** - Acting Captain Victor Sherman reported the following:

- **April 2013 Statistics** - There were 4 structure, 0 wildland, 0 rubbish and 0 vehicle fires; 129 medical/rescue emergencies, 6 hazardous conditions, 1 false alarm, 2 service calls, and 13 good intent calls.
- **Fire Safety Tips - Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Bulbs** - Energy-saving CFL bulb usage is becoming more common in homes and at work. In addition to using less electricity, they also have a positive impact on the global climate. When a CFL bulb burns out, it may smoke and blacken at the plastic base. This is normal and not a fire safety issue. CFL bulbs are made of glass and can break. Be careful when removing it from packaging. CFL bulbs contain a small trace of mercury within the glass. When broken, mercury will immediately dissipate into the air. Concentrations of mercury will likely approach zero in an hour or so. If a CFL bulb breaks:
  - ◇ Open a window to allow the room to ventilate for five to ten minutes.
  - ◇ People and pets should leave the room.
  - ◇ Turn off the air conditioner.
  - ◇ Collect broken glass and visible powder using stiff cardboard, tape, or a damp paper towel.
  - ◇ Place the debris in a glass container with a metal cover, and store it in a safe location outside until one can dispose of it.
  - ◇ Continue ventilating the room for several hours.



Villers arrived at 7:04 p.m.; **12 members present.**

Miller arrived at 7:05 p.m.; **13 members present.**

Comments followed:

1. Recent Calls for Service - There are different responses. Sometimes, HFD turns off the sirens, but leaves the lights on.
2. Replacing Street Lights with Lower Wattage Lights - Acting Captain Sherman had no information.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) District 6, Waikiki (Beat 662) - A HPD officer reported the following:

- April 2013 Statistics - There were 0 robberies, 1 burglary, 14 thefts, 5 assaults, 2 motor vehicle thefts, 7 criminal property damage, 16 liquor law violations, 7 motor vehicle collision (MVC), 19 arguments (family-non-family) and 7 unauthorized entries into a motor vehicle (UEMV). There were a total of 392 cases for Beat 662. For April 2013, there were a total of 3,967 calls for service in District 6.
- Chronic Complaints - The officer mentioned that complaints included loud mufflers and park closures.

Comments followed: Cause of Decrease in Crime Statistics - It may be due to increased enforcement, not due to Spring Break.

Matson arrived at 7:10 p.m.; **14 members present.**

Honolulu Police Department (HPD), District 7 - Officer Shane Fujitani distributed the written report and Sergeant Susan Medeiros highlighted the following:

- April 2013 Statistics - There were 7 burglaries, 0 robberies, 31 thefts, and 4 unauthorized entries into a motor vehicle (UEMV).
- Safety Tip - Stop Criminals from Acquiring your Money (S.C.A.M.) - Scams may involve money transfers or car repairs. If in doubt, call 911 and let HPD sort it out.

Comments followed:

1. Graffiti Under the Bridge - In Subdistrict 1, it was reported that there is graffiti under the bridge. Residents were advised to call 911. HPD has to witness the crime being committed in order to take enforcement action.
2. Graffiti - Ron Lockwood, Chair of the McCully/Mo'ili'iili Neighborhood Board No. 8, is also the head of Totally Against Graffiti (TAG). The group "paints out" graffiti.
3. Homeless - Sergeant Medeiros is aware of the homeless under the bridge and is also concerned for her officers' safety. HPD is working with the City to relocate them.

## RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

There were three concerns about Senate Bill (SB) 237 and the possible development of Jefferson Elementary School.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) - Justin Kessler reported the following:

- Main Break Report - There were one water main break on April 12, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. on Monsarrat Avenue and one water main break on April 12, 2013 at 10:20 p.m. on Waiialae Avenue. Currently, there is a break at Kapi'olani Boulevard and McCully Street.
- General Water Announcements: Water Conservation Week, May 5-11, 2013 - Water is the most essential resource and an ever-present part of daily living. That is why the Board of Water Supply (BWS) encourages the community to support Water Conservation Week, May 5 through May 11. Water Conservation Week, held in conjunction with National Drinking Water Week, provides the opportunity to recognize the value of water. The BWS reminds everyone that all need to make water conservation a regular part of living. For simple tips on how to save water, please visit [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com).
- Billing - Last month, the Board requested a fact sheet on billing and frequently asked questions. Kessler distributed copies and mentioned that the information was also available online. Call BWS, if there are any questions and they have a "call back" feature.

RESIDENTS/COMMUNITY CONCERNS (continued)

1. 18th Race for the Cure - Joyce Spoehr mentioned that it will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 in Waikiki, starting at 7:00 a.m. Spoehr will get the race route to Board member Mathieu.
2. Jefferson School - Larry Geller has background in Urban Planning and was concerned about open spaces. In most places urban planning is done on the municipal level, not the State level, and the community is involved in the process.
3. SB 237 - Liz Larson summarized the bill. It allows private development of public schools lands. On May 7, 2013 it went to Governor Abercrombie. It is supposed to bring revenue to the 21st Century Schools, about \$10 million per year in rent. It lets the State Department of Education (DOE) make decisions instead of on the community level. When they decide which school is chosen, there will be one public hearing for the zoning and permitting requirements. No schools were named. At Jefferson School land was donated for public purposes only. Board member Manfredi asked if any public hearing were scheduled yet. Larson responded that the bill hasn't been signed by the Governor yet. Board member Matson added that have one public hearing was like the City Council having only one public hearing instead of three. Larson is against the implementation of SB 237.
4. SB 237 - Karl Herman was upset with the process of passing the bill and development of high-rises.
5. Jefferson School (Continued) - Board member Victoria Mathieu was a teacher at Jefferson School and expressed her personal views, as a community member. She supported private enterprise, and raising money for schools, but not this kind of partnership at the schools.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS

Governor Neil Abercrombie's Representative - Attorney General David Louie reported the following:

- Legislative Session Ended/Bills to be Reviewed - Hundreds of bills went through the legislative process of public input and discussion by both houses and passed by the 2013 Legislature. They are now under review and on their way to Governor Abercrombie's desk for signature. The Governor encourages community members to express their thoughts on specific measures. To do so, go to the State of Hawaii's new Web portal at Hawaii.gov and search for "Contact Governor Abercrombie." In general, the Governor has until early July 2013 to sign bills passed by the Legislature. However, the Governor must notify the Legislature of potential vetoes by June 24, 2013. Attorney General Louie and will be reviewing bills together with the Governor's staff and departments prior to that date, so please provide your comments as soon as possible.
- Enacted Bills: The Governor has already enacted several dozen measures during session. These include House Bill 411, which strengthens the rights of female sexual assault victims by ensuring that they are provided accurate, unbiased information about - and access to - emergency contraception when receiving emergency medical care at Hawaii's hospitals. Other bills are more controversial.
- From Last Month -
  1. State Parks - Regarding after hour parties at the Wa'ahila Ridge State Park, Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) has a manpower challenge. However, they are working with HPD on access. Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement (DOCARE) or HPD has issued citations. Call DOCARE at 587-0077.
  2. Ala Wai Canal - The State DLNR last dredged the canal in 2004. There are no funds or plans to dredge at this time. In 2004 they did not plan to re-dredge until 2018. However, they reported excessive silt. Attorney General Louie shared a copy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study, done in January 2013, with Chair Wong. The study covers the Ala Wai Watershed and flood prevention. The contact information is listed.
  3. SB 237, the "21st Century Schools" Bill - This bill is very controversial and has supporters on both sides. Hawaii is the only state with a statewide school system by the State Constitution. The Governor's budget was cut by the Legislature. The DOE had to cut bus service. There is a lack of funds for repair/maintenance. Attorney General David Louie is aware of support for Jefferson School and other schools. This bill allows the use of "under-utilized" public school lands for public/private partnerships to raise money. No schools have been picked yet. The Governor will probably sign the bill and the process will go forward with the pilot projects. They will not be exempt from any zoning or permitting requirements. As the Public Lands Development Corporation (PLDC) was repealed, government officials want public input on zoning and permitting requirements.

As there were no objections, the order of the agenda was changed.

## PRESENTATION

Kapi'olani Park Trust (KPT) - Deputy Attorney General Hugh R. Jones is a "specialist" on Charitable Trusts and the KPT. He is well-respected throughout the United States. To understand the current status of the Kapi'olani Park, everyone can look to the history. He mentioned a book, which had the history of the park with photographs. Deputy Attorney General Jones summarized the history of the KPT. In 1896 the park was created by the Kapi'olani Park Association, a stock company with shareholders paying \$50 a share. They envisioned a seaside resort area with cottages. Among the shareholders were many "notables" in Hawaiian history. In 1897 on Kamehameha Day, King Kalakaua dedicated the site as the first public park. In 1894 they leased the race track to the Jockey Club for \$100 a year. The 1896 the management of the Kapi'olani Park went to Park Commission of the Republic of Hawai'i. The Commissioners were appointed by two authorities. There was a complex exchange of lands or land "swap." Some private lands were withdrawn from the park. Later, the Territorial government passed legislation to not renew some leases to have public beaches, for example at the Elk's Club. The first public bathhouse was opened in Waikiki in 1907. In 1913 the Governor, through Executive Order, gave the park to the City. In 1915 the Honolulu Zoo opened. In 1927 the Natatorium was built. In 1954 the Waikiki Shell finished construction. In the 1960s there was a push for development. In 1958 the City bought the Queen Surf and in 1971 it was torn down. In 1986 the Pentagram Corporation, doing business as (dba) Burger King wanted to lease park land. The Kapi'olani Park Preservation Society was formed and filed a lawsuit. In 1991 Judge Philip T. Chun issued his ruling. City Council members are Trustees, but the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) is responsible for the day to day operations. The Kapahulu Fire Station and Jefferson School were exempted with land compensation. There are limited permitted uses. The Art Fence and Craft Fairs are permitted. Trustees have hired a consultant to file a report on a "steering path" study, which will go out for public review. Trustees must file a report with the Court every three years, due next year. Contact Deputy Attorney General Jones at phone 586-1473.

Comments followed:

1. Updated Map - Although Jefferson School was removed from the Kapi'olani Park Trust, there needs to be an updated map, which can be requested from the City Council, but there is no timeline. Chair Wong asked to be updated in the future.
2. Judge Chun's Ruling - Regarding lands near the Natatorium, Board member Matson added that some land was conveyed back into the KPT. The Fire Station and Jefferson School were not permitted uses, but were allowed with land compensation. The City owns most of the land makai of Kalakaua.
3. City Councilmembers - Carol Hopkins mentioned that they do not want to be Trustees. They are reluctant to share information about meetings. The members of the public should remind them of their responsibilities.
4. Act 103 (1905) - Dick Quinn looked at the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) Geographic Information System (GIS) map and it was not consistent with the 1905 description of two public parks and public access on preservation lands. These were not conveyed into the KPT. Deputy Attorney General Jones mentioned that the 1896 document has a history of swaps. Judge Chun mentioned that lands in the KPT are what were conveyed.
5. Major Clarification - Board member Matson added that William G. Erwin, the major landowner and architect of the KPT wanted to protect it from the possible annexation by the United States. There were many land purchases and clouded titles.
6. Other Areas with Permitted Uses - Deputy Attorney General Jones mentioned that the Lifeguard Administration building on Leahi Avenue, the Nursery, and Jefferson School were okay.
7. Paki Avenue - Quinn had more questions on a Paki Avenue lot and the building of the Ocean Safety Administration building. Deputy Attorney General Jones mentioned the updated map and referred him to the City Council.
8. Final Comments - Board member Narita mentioned the seminar on Charitable Trusts at Chaminade University and suggested that a transcript of tonight's presentation's recording be made available for Board members and the community. It and the Kapahulu Master Plan should be required reading for current and future Board members. Deputy Attorney General Jones will e-mail the chronology. Chair Wong mentioned that Secretary Mathieu will work on it if she has time. (The newsletter articles are due tonight.)

As there were no objections, the order of the agenda was restored.

State Senator Les Ihara, Jr. - Senator Ihara was not present, as he was on the mainland. No report was available.

State Senator Sam Slom - Senator Slom (rhymes with home) distributed his written report and highlighted the following:

- A Special Association with the Neighborhood Board - Board member Allen is his very capable Legislative Co-ordinator. Board member Waialeale visited him about injured workers. Board member Matson saw him about environmental issues and Liz Larson saw him about the public schools.
- Queen's Surf - When Senator Slom was a freshman at the University of Hawaii (UH), he would eat the \$2.95 prime rib buffet, and then, he would go upstairs to the Barefoot bar. The reason why the building was torn down was because when former Mayor Frank Fasi was out of office for four years, he tried to solicit money and support from Spence Cliff Weaver, owner of Spencecliff restaurants, who refused. When Mayor Fasi was re-elected he tore down the Queen's Surf.
- Sixteen Committees, 236 Conference Committees - As the lone Republican Senate he sat on 16 committees and 236 conference committee.
- State Budget - Governor Abercrombie proposed a \$1 billion budget and \$800 million passed. Senator Slom voted against pay raises for government workers, because the state cannot afford the raises. The taxpayers pay for everything, including the City & County of Honolulu and federal governments. The State Budget Director predicted that the State will go bankrupt, if there are no new taxes. There is \$25 billion of "unfunded liability" in the Employees Retirement System (ERS) and Healthcare fund.
- SB 237 - Senator Slom opposed the closure of Wailupe, Queen Liliuokalani and Koko Head Schools, as they did not save money. SB 237 is not about the schools, but certain private developers making money. Although the Public Lands Development Corporation (PLDC) was repealed, there are PLDC "look-alikes." Although Senator Slom is "pro-development," this bill benefits only certain developers.
- Investigative Committee - After the Senate investigation last year, University of Hawaii (UH) President M.R.C. Greenwood is retiring. More will be disclosed about undeserved high salaries, procurement, and mis-management.

Comments followed:

1. School Closures - Wailupe School sits on City land, so the City has first right of refusal. The City wants to house administrative departments there. The Department of Education (DOE) had been trying to close the school for 10 years. The student/teacher ratio was dropping significantly, as parents were sending their kids to 'Aina Haina or other schools. Senator Slom has been calling for a financial and management audit of the DOE for more than a dozen years.
2. One Vote Can Make A Difference - Board member Waialeale thanked Senator Slom for his one vote, which helped kill House Bill (HB) 1203, relating to the Adjutant General.
3. \$200,000 for the Lieutenant Governor to Stay on Maui - While many of his friends, who work for "non-profits," were asking for \$10,000 - \$15,000, the Legislature passed the \$200,000 asked for the Lieutenant Governor to stay and work on Maui. If House Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say were still the Speaker, this would not have happened.
4. State Workers Pay for Benefits - Board member Villers commended Senator Slom for explaining his voting record and mentioned that State workers pay 40 percent (%) of their healthcare benefits. Senator Slom responded that the private employers pay for the health care benefits of their employees and the union workers' pay raises, vacation days, holidays and 60% of health benefits. The State Senate is allowing too much spending, which will lead to the State Budget Director's prediction. Board member Matson praised Senator Slom for speaking the truth and invited him back to future Board meetings. Resident Karl Herman suggested taking a survey of taxes earmarked for education. The State income tax form already allows for a small part of the taxes to go to education. Senator Slom doesn't believe that throwing more money at the problem will improve things. The UH and DOE should be made accountable for their funds. Special funds are frequently "raided" and don't go to their intended purposes.

**At 9:00 p.m. Manfredi moved and Villers seconded to extend the meeting. As there were no objections, the meeting was extended.**

House Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say - House Speaker Emeritus Say distributed his newsletter and reported the following:

- State Budget - The State Budget was passed and it allowed for a five percent (5%) restoration of union wages and a 60-40% split on health care benefits.
- Unfunded Liability - \$200 million was divided into \$100 million for "Unfunded Liability" and \$100 for the "Rainy Day" Fund.
- Mahalo - House Speaker Emeritus Say thanked the Board and community for their continued support.

State Representative Scott Nishimoto - Kevan Wong apologized that Representative Nishimoto's Nishimoto could not attend tonight's meeting and reported that the area elected officials were able to appropriate the following:

- Ala Wai Elementary School - \$710,000 for the design and construction of covered walkways and the installation of additional security cameras.
- Jefferson Elementary School - \$75,000 for the construction of security fencing.
- Waikiki Elementary School - \$150,000 for the design, construction and equipment for the installation of grass and an irrigation system for Leahi Field.
- Washington Middle School - \$1,100,000 for the design, construction, and equipment for a new band room, and for renovations to existing facilities for Hawaiian studies.
- Japanese Cultural Center - \$450,000 for construction and implementation of health, safety, and energy improvements to the Japanese Cultural Center.
- 442 Regimental Combat Team Foundation - \$562,000 for the 442 Regimental Combat Team Foundation.
- Moiiliili Community Center - \$50,000 for use in its operation.
- Waikiki Community Center - \$60,000 for use in its operation.
- Kaiser High School - \$4,500,000 to be used for the plans, design, and construction of a new track and synthetic turf field that will be used by Kaimuki High School, as its home athletic field.

State Representative Bertrand Kobayashi - Representative Kobayashi distributed his 2013 Legislative Updates and reported the following:

- House Speaker Emeritus Say Is Very Humble - In 2011 the State Pension System was revised and the payment schedule was lengthened. House Speaker Emeritus Say saved \$6 billion over 30 years. In 2012 the savings grew to \$8 billion over 30 years. Then, all of the "Unfunded Liability" would be "wiped out."
- State Budget - Even though the final budget is \$260 million less than the Governor's proposed budget, restorations were made to plant/pest quarantine, tax collections and audits, 5% pay cuts, etc. It puts \$427 million in reserves - added were \$50 million to the "rainy day" fund, \$160 million to the hurricane fund, and \$217 million to the health insurance fund; with a commitment to fund \$250 million to the "unfunded liability" of the health insurance fund. A bill was also approved, to fully fund the \$15 billion deficit in the health insurance fund by adding increasing large funds to the health insurance fund with full funding by FY 2019. It has no new taxes and seven (7) tax/free proposals killed were for soda/sugar beverages, plastic bag fee, conveyance tax, tobacco, general excise tax, hotel room tax, and casino gambling.
- Items That Don't Get Newspaper Coverage - They include money to keep the state prison open on the Big Island to bring back prisoners, housed on the mainland; \$14 million for watershed protection and money for Medicaid.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative - Walea Constantinou reported the following:

- Sewer Fees/Billings - The Board requested an explanation on how the monthly sewer fees/billings were determined. Answer: The rate structure and rates are included in City ordinance and were most recently updated in Bill 3 (2012). The change in rate structure included in Bill 3 (2012) was derived from a cost of service study done for the department during calendar year 2011. Key factors in determining the billing structure were the determinations of which costs are fixed and occur whether or not the system is being used, which costs vary with the volume of wastewater going down the sewer, and how much of water use does not, on average, go into the sewer. Slightly less than 70% of the costs of operating and maintaining the wastewater system are fixed and that is recovered through the monthly base charge. The variable cost is recovered through the volume charge, the amount of which will vary by customer water use.
- Sewer Fees - Sewer fees are not used to fund Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) or the rail project. Sewer fees are deposited to the Sewer Fund and used to fund the City's wastewater collection and treatment system.
- Feeding Chickens - Regarding feeding chickens near the tennis courts, the staff of the Division of Urban Forestry (DUF) does not feed the feral chickens. DUF has disconnected the hedge watering system that was inadvertently providing water to the water dishes. In addition, "Do Not Feed the Birds" signage has been installed.
- Damaged Metal Cover - Resident Daisy Murai had reported a damaged metal cover on the sidewalk next to 3039 Kaunaoa Street. The metal cover appears to be for an underground utility, either Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO), or Hawaiian Telcom or other public utility. HECO has been advised of the situation and will be sending someone out to investigate.

Comments followed:

1. Sewer Fee - Board member Narita mentioned again that residents were "off-island" and usage went up because of "estimated usage" and they had no recourse on the sewer fee. Constantinau requested that Narita e-mail her the details, so that she can follow up.
2. Traffic Counters on St. Louis Drive - The resident from the St. Louis Community Association noticed traffic counters on the streets and asked what they were for. Constantinau will follow up.
3. Crosswalks on Kapahulu Avenue - A Board member noticed the dangerous crosswalks and requested flashing lights. Constantinau will follow up with Department of Transportation Services (DTS).
4. BWS Break - Board member Waialeale reported that the break at Kapi'olani Boulevard and McCully took over 90 minutes to fix.
5. Dark Streets - Board member Matson requested more lighting on Campbell Avenue. Chair Wong mentioned that she heard that the City was installing lower wattage street lights in Kapahulu. Constantinau will follow up.
6. Uneven Sidewalk - Chair Wong mentioned the uneven sidewalk at 3071 Pualei Circle.

City Councilmember Ann Kobayashi - Jarret Yip distributed her newsletter and Councilmember Kobayashi reported the following:

- New Director - The concerns about the streetlights may be addressed by the new Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director Mike Formby, who is open to discussions for safety, like the Complete Streets program for safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers.
- White Bins - Many residents were concerned about the recycling program for the schools. The City Council found money, but the former Administration chose to discontinue the program.
- Restoration of TheBus - The new Administration will restore routes in stages. Councilmember Kobayashi favors complete restoration.
- In the News - Chair Wong was looking online for Councilmember Kobayashi's story about the rail project money, but could not find it. Chair Wong thinks that the news media "pulled the story."

City Councilmember Stanley Chang - Micah Munekata distributed Councilmember Chang's newsletter and reported the following:

- Crosswalks and Lighting - DTS has completed its investigation and has approved several things for the Kapahulu area, for example new crosswalks and bus stop improvements.

Comments followed:

1. Kudos - Chair Wong thanked Councilmember Stanley Chang's Office for the repaving of the Waikiki Shell parking lot and for not installing parking meters at the Waikiki Shell.
2. Follow Up Requested - Board member Narita requested a follow up on his earlier inquiry that HART could use the sewer fees.

As there were no objections, the order of the agenda was changed.

Resolution on Jefferson School - Chair Wong mentioned that there were two resolutions to be considered. One was written by Chair Wong with assistance from Neighborhood Assistant Ho and one was written by Board member Matson. Board member Miller suggested that in the interest of time, that the Board authorizes the Neighborhood Assistant to combine the two resolutions. Board member Matson clarified that she had incorporated those ideas from the first resolution and from the Waikiki Neighborhood Board No. 9 resolution in her resolution.

**Mathieu moved and Narita seconded that the Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights Neighborhood Board No. 5 support the "Resolution to the Governor of the State of Hawaii."** Discussion followed. Board member Waialeale was concerned about another school in the district. Board member Matson clarified that she changed the wording to subdistricts. Board member Narita suggested some corrections for typographical errors and to add "the Mayor" to the "Be it Finally Resolved" clause. **The motion to support the amended resolution was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Allen, Manfredi, Mathieu, Matson, Miller, Naho'opi'i, Narita, Persons, St. Denis, Takenaka, Villers, Waialeale, West and Wong).**

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 14, 2013 AND MARCH 14, 2013 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: As there were no draft minutes available, this item and the rest of the agenda was deferred to the next meeting.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Next Meeting - The next Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Neighborhood Board No. 5 regular monthly meeting is scheduled for the second Thursday of the month, June 13, 2013.
- B. To be added to the mailing list or visit Office, Honolulu Hale, Room 406, Honolulu, HI 96613; call Neighborhood Assistant K. Russell Ho at 768 3715 or e-mail at [kho4@honolulu.gov](mailto:kho4@honolulu.gov), fax 768-3711 [www.honolulu.gov/nco/index1.htm](http://www.honolulu.gov/nco/index1.htm).
- C. Neighborhood Commission - The Neighborhood Commission meets on the 4th Monday of the month at Honolulu Hale, 530 S. King Street, at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2013. Please check with the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) to verify meeting dates and location.
- D. New Smartphone Applications -
  1. Da Bus - This free application takes the guesswork out of catching the bus on the island of Oahu. It uses the near real-time arrival information, courtesy of Oahu Transit Services (OTS), to provide the best estimated time on when the next bus will arrive. The application also tracks the current location of the bus you are interested in by using the Global Positioning System (GPS) device installed on many of the buses. In addition, it also provides options to explore different bus routes and take a virtual ride to better understand its route. This application is currently available on iPhone, and an Android version is forthcoming.
  2. Honolulu 311 - Honolulu 311 is a real time mobile civic engagement platform. Honolulu 311 provides a free, simple, and intuitive platform empowering people to report broken streetlights, derelict or abandoned automobiles, stored property violations, and more via your smart phone. A picture tells a thousand words and Honolulu 311 makes it a snap. The application uses the Global Positioning System (GPS) in your smart phone to show the location of your report. Download it today it's free! This application is available for iPhone, Android and Blackberry.
  3. Honolulu Tsunami Evacuation - In the event of an emergency, time is of the essence. The free Honolulu Tsunami Evacuation Zones application allows you to quickly and easily discover if you are in a tsunami evacuation zone. Search for your friends and family's addresses to see if they fall within an evacuation zone. Find the nearest evacuation shelter. This application is available on iPhone and Android, and Blackberry Playbook.  
Visit: <http://can-do.honolulu.gov/apps> to download these applications to your respective smart phones.
- E. Other Apps - Eleven web and mobile applications developed by City employees and private citizens are available for download from the City's website at - <http://can-do.honolulu.gov>.
- F. For those without a smart phone: Street Light Repair - 768-5300, Refuse Collection - 832-7840, Abandoned Vehicle - 733-2530, Bus Information - 848-5555, Pothole Repair Hotline - 768-7777, Complaint (Regarding: City) - 768-4381.
- G. City Online Camping Permit System is now accepted - Help line has been set up at 768-4602.

ADOPTION OF MOTION TO ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

**RESOLUTION TO THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII'  
IN STRONG OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 237, SD2, HD1, CD1  
"RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL LANDS"**

Whereas, Jefferson Elementary School and Waikiki Elementary Schools are the only elementary schools that serve the established neighborhoods of the Diamond Head and Kapahulu sub-districts within the Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights Neighborhood Board No. 5 jurisdictional district; and

Whereas, this area is zoned as a single-family and multi-family residential area, and all our keiki are in need of schools with playgrounds and ball fields for their healthy education and development; and

Whereas, Senate Bill 237, SD2, HD1, CD1 proposes to redevelop selected school campuses on public lands for "workforce housing" and "non-school purposes"; and

Whereas, such redevelopment has been proposed to encapsulate our vital schools in high-rise structures below "workforce housing," with luxury condominiums and visitor timeshares above, and surrounded by commercial retail uses where existing vital playgrounds and ball fields once were; and

Whereas, part of our responsibility as a Neighborhood Board is to ensure, maintain and preserve the established and safe neighborhood nature for our families and schools; now therefore

Be it Resolved, that the Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights Neighborhood Board No. 5 strongly opposes any attempt by any directive, department or agency to redevelop Jefferson Elementary School or Waikiki Elementary School, or to include them in the pilot public school redevelopment program mandated by Senate Bill 237, SD2, HD1, CD1; and

Be it Further Resolved, that the Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights Neighborhood Board No. 5 strongly urges the Governor of the State of Hawai'i to veto Senate Bill 237, SD2, HD1, CD1, which calls for established public schools, playgrounds and ball fields on public lands to be redeveloped with commercial and residential uses and other "non-school purposes;" and

Be it Finally Resolved, that this Resolution shall be delivered to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House and each member of the Hawai'i State Legislature; the Superintendent of the State Department of Education; the State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism and the Hawaii Community Development Authority; the Mayor of the City & County of Honolulu, the Honolulu City Council; and all Neighborhood Boards.

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