

City and County of Honolulu
Department of Parks and Recreation

AGENDA
Advisory Committee
Shore Water Event Rules
Meeting via WebEx
Date: May 3, 2022 Time: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TESTIMONY

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I. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A. Testimony – 2 minutes

II. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

A. Recommendations from the Advisory Committee

II. FINAL SHORE WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

III. MEETING ADJOURNS

Public Testimony:

Sabrina Brennan – A group letter was submitted with suggested solution. She is hoping that those will be considered. She went through the letter that was emailed.

Carol Philips – She stressed out about pushing for gender equity. She is one of the author of the group letter.

Advisory Committee:

Holiday options

Kanani – Based on community outreach, it should not apply to the whole island but only on the North Shore.

Keone – If not broken, don't fix it. More than the holidays, how many days.

Meghan – Concurs with Kanani and Keone.

Submitted application option

Kanani – There should have an online application process.

Keone – Concurs with Kanani

Meghan – Concurs with the two

Date option

Kanani –

Keone -

Meghan – 60 days deadline is fine. State only require insurance policy of \$500,000, which they got their requirement from DAGS Risk Management. Laura thinks because Parks is land based that is why \$2M is required.

Big wave options

Kanani – Parks Director should approve the big wave event, but public outreach shows that big wave and small wave event can run concurrently. If the big wave event is 40 foot or higher then community is fine have small event concurrently.

Keone – Two contest at one time will not separate traffic. There are two ways in to the north shore.

Meghan – Concurs with Kanani.

Cooling off period:

Keone – No cooling off period on to all shores.

Meghan – In some places like Kuhio Beach, with big impacts cooling off period should be implemented but not to all shores.

Keone – He concurs with events at the south shore. Limit the amount of event we are having.

Kanani – No need cooling off period, but look on sport basis and not location basis.

Laura – What beaches should we cap the number of event?

Keone – Queens, Kewalo on the south shore.

Meghan – Kuhio Beach Park (Queens beach) –one serve spot. Kewalo is down to 7 events now from 8.

Gender equity big wave:

Keone – Keep at 40 feet, or City has to come up with a definition of big wave.

Meghan – Concurs with Keone.

Kanani – Women have proven are capable of 40 foot wave. Try to get them more days so that they can surf it.

Laura – What happens if two big wave events are happening at the same time?

Kanani – Per outreach, the community does not mind having two events having at the same time.

Keone – an event takes 3 days to set up, the Director cannot just decide in the morning of the event.

Laura – goes not to the promoter but the Dept. Director.

- Have two permit holder for same holding period, give the second holder go if the first holder does not want to go. Have two permit holder for same holding period without the cooling off period.**

Keone – Why is there a cooling period? Because one event needs 4 days, there is no need a cooling off period.

Meghan – issues of back to back event on the north shore that is why there is a cooling off period

Dawn – a lot of opposition from recreational surfers because commercial surfers were monopolizing the use of shore.

Conflict resolution gender equity

Keone – all for 2 women and 2 men at the advisory committee

Meghan – concurs with Keone

Kanani – concurs with both

Gender equity guidance and thoughts

Meghan – does not have any gender equity. She is 100% gender equity on surf events.

Kanani – Gender equity needs to happen. Open to equal number of participants of women and men, etc....

Keone – Wants to know if this is all sports within the City?

Carla – for now, shore water.

Keone – Canoe paddling, surfing.

Triennial Calendar

Meghan – She supports the change to surf season calendar

Kanani – Concurs with Meghan

Keone – is it easier to follow surf season or calendar? Concurs with surf season

Attendant Custodian Fee

Meghan – Small boat harbors has impact, add the overtime cost to clean the restroom for the entire day from the start to the close of event

Kanani – concurs

Keone – will the application of the permit will ask for the number of expectators?

Meghan – would it make sense not to ask for the number of expectators? The department should decide the number of expectators.

Kanani – Should we just add a cleaning fee which can be reimbursable

Next Step

Internal DPR Staff rule making