



HAWAII KAI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 1

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DRAFT – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015 HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Greg Knudsen called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with a quorum of 12 members present. Note: This 15-member Board requires 8 members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Paige Altonn, René Garvin, Marian Grey, Natalie Iwasa, Carol Jaxon, Greg Knudsen, Carl Makino, Roberta Mayor, Amy Monk, Elizabeth Reilly, Maxine Rutkowski, and Britney Taamu-Miyashiro.

Board Members Absent: Robert Clark, Elizabeth “Liza” Lockard, and Herb Schreiner.

Guests: Acting Captain Gary Yasuda (Honolulu Fire Department), Lieutenant Clinton Sukekane (Honolulu Police Department); Tim Houghton (Mayor Kirk Caldwell’s representative), Michele Nagamine (Councilmember Trevor Ozawa’s Office), Kendrick Chang and Tyler Humphries (Representative Gene Ward’s Office), Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply’s representative), Ryan Hirae (Hawaii State Department of Defense), Eric Schatz (Crown Gate), Bob Kern, Larry Adams, Carl Shaad, Anna Marie Watkins, Mary Lou Toyama, Sid McWhirter (Friends of Hanauma Bay), Kurt Mitchell, Paul White, Jennifer Taylor, Judy Nii (Kamilonui Farmers), Dick Johnson, Kimo Franklin, Shannon Guo, Jeffrey Akaka, Emogene Yoshimura, videographer (DVDmodo), and Uyen Vong (Neighborhood Commission Office).

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS: The Board members introduced themselves at this time.

STATUS REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Acting Captain Gary Yasuda reported the following:

- **May 2015 Statistics:** There were 1 structure, 2 wildland, and 2 rubbish fires; 52 medical emergencies; 11 search and rescues; and 25 miscellaneous calls.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** Call 911 in emergencies. Do not drive to the nearest fire station. Tell the 911 Operator the initial need (police, fire, ambulance) and once transferred to the appropriate agency, give an accurate description of the need, address or location of the emergency.
- **Sirens:** HFD’s response to the Board question on sirens is that they use them at all times for all responses, as required by the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu. Sirens and lights facilitate timely delivery of emergency services, preventing unnecessary property damage or loss of life.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Sirens:** Chair Knudsen noted that the board member who asked the question is not present at this meeting and explained that the question was about lowering the volume during late night hours in areas where care homes are located.
2. **Koko Crater Trail:** Acting Capt. Yasuda replied to Altonn that no search and rescues were on Koko Crater trail. Altonn commented that there will be more people on the trail during the summer and Acting Capt. Yasuda noted that HFD is well aware of the increase in the summer months.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lt. Clinton Sukekane circulated newsletters and reported the following:

- **April 2015 Statistics:** There were 3 motor vehicle thefts, 2 burglaries, 17 thefts, 10 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMVs) and a total of 6,044 calls for service.
- **Hurricane Preparedness:** Information sheets on hurricane preparedness were available at the meeting. Hurricane season begins June 1, 2015.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Pedestrian Safety at Medial Strip:** Iwasa brought up the previous concern regarding pedestrian signals at crosswalks bisected by a medial strip and asked for clarification. Lt. Sukekane stated that pedestrians in residential areas are legally allowed to cross a street in an “unmarked mid-block crosswalk” if they are more than 200 feet from a marked crosswalk or intersection. He noted that sometimes it is safer to use an unmarked crosswalk than a marked one. Lt. Sukekane will follow up for Iwasa with the State Department

of Transportation (DOT) for more information regarding pedestrian travel on medial strips. He noted that stopping on the medial strip is really not safe.

2. Crosswalk on Lunalilo Home Road: Garvin raised a concern about an unsafe crosswalk on Lunalilo Home Road due to parked cars restricting visibility. Lt. Sukekane will follow up.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Rian Adachi circulated handouts and reported the following:

- Water Main Breaks: There were no breaks in April 2015.
- 2015 Water Conservation Week Poster and Poetry Contests Winners: The contest winners were announced and recognized at an awards ceremony in April 2015. The full list of winners and an online art gallery are available at www.boardofwatersupply.com. The posters and poems were displayed at Honolulu Hale and will be at Kahala Mall from June 1 - 11, 2015, and the BWS Public Service Building lobby from June 29 - August 14, 2015.

Question followed: Intermittent Humming: Chair Knudsen reported, on behalf of a resident, that there is intermittent humming below the reservoir which may be related to BWS equipment. Adachi will follow up.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

2015 Neighborhood Board Elections: Chair Knudsen announced that the current board members in the 2015 election have all been re-elected for the new term. Amy Monk, who chose not to run for re-election, will be replaced by Lasha Salbosa.

Ka Iwi Coast Run/Walk: Jaxon announced that the Ka Iwi Coast Run/Walk will be held August 30, 2015. The road from Sandy Beach Park to Hanauma Bay will be closed from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., with contraflow traffic from Hanauma Bay to Maunalua Bay. She thanked Reilly and the Aloha Aina O Kamilonui Nursery for allowing the children to plant watermelons for event refreshments. Chair Knudsen noted that the registration fee is \$40, if participants register by August 9, 2015.

Keawawa Wetlands/Hawea Heiau Complex: Reilly announced that their next monthly community workday would be on Saturday, June 13, 2015 at the Hawea Heiau Complex.

2015 Neighborhood Board Elections (Continue): Chair Knudsen noted that the results for the 2015 neighborhood board elections will be certified tonight and he assumed that public announcements of the winners will be released through local media.

Hawaii Kai Strong: Garvin announced that the next disaster planning presentation, relating to shelters and preparedness, is on Wednesday, June 3, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Koko Head District Park, Multi-purpose Room C. She also noted that Hawaii Kai Strong plans to conduct mini-presentations for homeowner associations, churches and other interested groups. Contact her or Chair Knudsen for information.

Kaiser High School Graduation: Mayor announced that Kaiser High School's commencement ceremony is to be held on Friday, May 29, 2015.

PUBLIC-GENERATED ISSUES: Friends of Hanauma Bay: Sid McWhirter, president of Friends of Hanauma Bay (FOHB) announced that the FOHB board plans to meet at Hanauma Bay during the summer on Wednesdays, May 27, June 17, and July 15, 2015. The public is welcome to attend.

PRESENTATIONS

Special Sanctuary Management Regulations for Maunalua Bay as Proposed in the Draft Management Plan for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary: Malia Chow from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) circulated a handout and presented the following:

- Introduction: For the last two decades, a humpback whale sanctuary has existed along the south shore of Oahu from Makapuu to Kapahulu gulch. The proposed plan would extend protections in Maunalua Bay, from Koko Head to Diamond Head, as a special sanctuary management area. NOAA would partner with the State to put forth a set of additional protections in the bay. This is because Maunalua Bay is one of the most heavily used bays, and has shown signs of degradation over time. Community projects are creating increasing signs of recovery, and the new proposal is to lead to further recovery.

- Seeking Public Comments: NOAA is accepting public comments on the plan until June 19, 2015, which can be made at www.hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov. The full copy of the proposed plan is available on the website.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Construction: Altonn asked if there would be construction of new buildings at Maunalua Bay. Chow replied that one of the proposals states that there can be no altering of submerged lands or new structures unless there is beneficial value to the sanctuary.
2. Commercial Recreational Permits: Altonn asked and Chow replied that NOAA has discussed commercial recreational permits and met with DLNR leadership, who understand that Maunalua Bay is a special sanctuary. Chair Knudsen asked how this proposal would directly affect commercial recreational activities. Chow replied that the recreational companies would have no problem if the commercial activity does not harm Maunalua Bay. Knudsen asked for further clarification on how NOAA defines "harm." Chow disclosed that she met with a commercial operator, but a full analysis of the impact of commercial activities has not been done, so an answer cannot be provided right now. Knudsen asked if NOAA's decision supersedes State's regulations and Chow replied that the sanctuary is co-managed with the State, but federal regulations do supersede state regulations.
3. Comments Period: Chow replied to Iwasa that the public comments period closes June 19, 2015.
4. Fishing: Monk asked if fishing would be restricted in Maunalua Bay. Chow noted that there are no fishing regulations in the proposal. Any fisherman operating with a State or Federal permit would be exempt from the policy involving damage to the seafloor.
5. Commercial Recreational Permits (Continue): Altonn asked who would decide what is "harmful." Chow replied that the permit users would have to demonstrate that their activity does no harm. Altonn asked if recreational businesses would need to apply for a new permit. Chow replied that NOAA issues permits in four categories: management, research, education, and undersea cables. It is not NOAA's intention to restrict recreational activities. Altonn reiterated her question. Chow replied that NOAA does not have a category for commercial activities, but they could add conditions to a permit through the State. Altonn asked if recreational companies have to reapply for a new permit and Chow replied no. Reilly noted that the permits expire after five years.
6. Board Help: Reilly asked what the Board can do. Chow replied that the Board could draft a letter of specific support or concerns. Chow replied to Knudsen that the plan could be implemented within one year.
7. Commercial Permits (Continue): Chair Knudsen asked for further clarification on Altonn's question regarding commercial permits. Chow replied that there are no provisions in the proposal that would remove State authority in the management of Maunalua Bay.
8. Public Comments: Chair Knudsen questioned how the Board could comment when all the information is not available. Chow replied that NOAA would consider it if the Board put forth a particular proposal. Reilly asked if there could be an extension of the deadline. Monk noted that members of the Board could comment as individuals and suggested that the Board draft a letter to Governor David Ige. She asked Reilly to assist in drafting the letter. Reilly agreed.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Tim Houghton, Deputy Director of the Department of Environmental Services (ENV) reported the following:

- Wainiha Street Express Bus: DTS is waiting for a recommendation regarding the express bus route on Wainiha St. from the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board. Garvin noted that the Board did not feel equipped to make a safety recommendation and had asked DTS to make the decision. Chair Knudsen expressed similar sentiments. Houghton will follow up.
- Highway Lookouts: Lanai Lookout and Halona Blowhole are under State jurisdiction, however the signage belongs to the City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). Signs regarding commercial vehicle limitations cannot be installed, as there are no regulations allowing the signage. The lookout near Hanauma Bay belongs to the State.
- Damaged Poles: Grey inquired if the electricity poles on the highway, near the marina bridge, that seem damaged are under city, state or federal jurisdiction. Houghton will follow up.
- Requested "No Parking" Zone for Hawaii Kai Drive: DTS will be conducting an investigation, which may require research, site observations and an analysis of traffic history in the area. DTS will apprise the Board of their findings by November 2015.

Comment followed: Memorial Day Ceremony: Monk noted that the City did a good job with the Memorial Day Ceremony at Punchbowl and asked Houghton to convey her compliments.

Councilmember Trevor Ozawa: Michele Nagamine distributed newsletters and reported the following:

- Wainiha Express Bus Route: Nagamine visited the site on six occasions to monitor bus activity. There are areas where the route is unsafe, especially where cars are parked on both sides of the road. The ridership on the Wainiha express bus route is not considerable. Nagamine recommended Councilmember Ozawa talk about safety concerns with DTS.
- New Website: The new website, www.honolulu.gov/d4, includes an electronic version of the newsletter.

Question followed: Meeting with Councilmember Ozawa's Office: Garvin asked Nagamine to set up a meeting with Councilmember Ozawa's Office to discuss traffic safety concerns. Nagamine replied that her contact information is available in the newsletter.

Governor David Ige: No representative present, no report provided.

Senator Sam Slom: Senator Slom could not be present; a report was provided.

Senator Laura Thielen: Senator Thielen could not be present; no report provided.

Representative Gene Ward: Tyler Humphries provided handouts and reported the following:

- Tonight's Absence: Representative Ward is not present tonight because he and his wife are attending their daughter's graduation in California.
- Neighborhood Board Elections: Congratulations to everyone elected to the 2015 Neighborhood Board.
- Important Issues: Representative Ward's Office has been monitoring several important issues including Koko Head Stables and NOAA's proposal.
- Legislative Wrap Up: There were 2,894 bills introduced and 252 passed. Bills that passed included medical marijuana dispensaries and storm water management fees.
- Kalaniana'ole Highway Repaving Project: The Kalaniana'ole Highway repaving project is scheduled to complete in June 2015 and, as finishing work continues, DOT Director Ford has promised two open lanes at all times.
- May Day at Koko Head Elementary School: Koko Head Elementary School held their May Day celebration May 1, 2015.
- Beer/Coffee Summit: There is no beer summit this month, however the coffee summit will be on Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
- Hawaii State Capitol Tour: Hawaii Kai residents attended the Hawaii State Capitol tour and visited the offices of Governor Ige and Representative Ward, as well as the House and Senate chamber floors. The next capitol tour is scheduled for the next legislative session.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Electronic Newsletter: Reilly asked if Board members could share information with Humphries for inclusion in the electronic newsletter. Humphries suggested Reilly email him.
2. Roadway Cables: Iwasa noted that there are cables under Kalaniana'ole Highway, between Roy's Restaurant and the bridge, which are permanent counters measuring speed and weight of vehicles on the highway. She asked if the State has any plans to widen that section of the highway or do bridge work. Humphries will follow up.

Representative Mark Hashem: No representative present, no report provided.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion/Action relating to renewed asphalt dumping at the proposed cemetery site in Kamilonui Valley and issuance of new stockpiling, grading, and grubbing permits despite the Board's August 2014 motion requesting that such activity cease until the landowners present a current development plan to the City and community: Iwasa reported the following:

- Resumed Asphalt Dumping: Asphalt dumping resumed on May 18, 2015. Emails were sent to DPP, but there has been no response. Senator Thielen has been following up with DPP and the State Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

- Background: In 2000, the City Council approved the cemetery plans, with conditions. In 2004, the first permit was issued. There are three permits that expire and are rolled over continually. In November 2013, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board asked the City Council to repeal the resolution approving the cemetery. As a result, the Department of Planning and Permitting investigated and found no violations, however they recommended an amendment to establish a time frame to begin construction. The owners had changed over the years. In August 2014, there were still no plans or cemetery license, and the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board supported a resolution to cease the stockpiling. Currently, there are no cemetery plans nor a license, and dumping is continuing.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Stockpiling: Reilly asked and Iwasa explained that DPP re-issued two stockpiling permits in December 2014. Iwasa noted that in February 2014, two permits indicated they were 75% complete, but now the renewed permits are only 50% complete. Chair Knudsen noted that the initial justification was to reuse the material for a road to the site, but it looks like they are simply dumping material.
2. Volume of Stockpiling: Grey asked about the volume of the stockpile. Resident Dick Johnson commented that the stockpile is 427 feet by 15-20 feet in height; it would fill the Hahaione Elementary School cafeteria 36 to 41 times. Johnson brought a sample of the fill and noted that concrete is not being removed while more is being brought in.
3. Measurement: Chair Knudsen asked exactly how the maximum allowable size is being measured.
4. Post-Construction Debris: Reilly noted that the post-construction debris and asphalt are coming from the road near the fire station. She asked if the City could take care of their debris.
5. Stewardship: Resident Judy Nii expressed disappointment that government agencies require farmers to respect the land but are not doing so themselves.
6. Family Farms: Resident Mary Lou Toyama mentioned small family farms are having a difficult time.
7. Response from the City: Tim Houghton noted that DPP has investigated again and verified that the company has a valid stockpiling permit. An inspector is being sent to check that the size of the stockpile is as specified in the permit, otherwise a Notice of Violation will be issued. No new permits will be issued until a cemetery plan is completed. City contracts require people doing paving to move material to a permitted site.
8. Broken Promises: Reilly made the following remarks: In August 2014, the City promised the Board that the City would not issue any new stockpiling permits, however, two permits were approved in December 2014. The post-construction debris has been there for over 10 years and nothing has been removed. Senator Thielen tried to track where the post-construction debris goes and was asking the City to track the debris. The City doesn't ask where the debris is going. The City needs to be responsible. Reilly warned that she is very close to hiring an attorney, as the debris has seriously impacted the Aloha Aina O Kamilonui Nursery.
9. Cover Up: Grey commented that it is clear that the construction company is covering up the real volume of the stockpile and has no intention of removing the debris. She asked if it's for a road, where are the permits for that.
10. Recycling: Iwasa expressed disappointment and frustration with the City because the Board's request was for no activity. She asked for clarification on why the material should remain on the site since it can be recycled. She noted that stockpiling material is not rubbish but a resource and Grace Pacific has three recycling facilities.
11. More Details: Altonn commented that the Board has been lied to and that 10 years is ridiculous. She would like more details when agreements are made.
12. Dust Screens: Chair Knudsen commented that dumping has resumed and the dust screens are shredded, so nearby residents feel the effects.
13. Definition of Stockpiling: Chair Knudsen noted that "stockpiling" is supposed to be temporary, and should not take 10 years.
14. Concrete Rubble: Monk noted that the rebar and concrete rubble are illegal and were to be removed, but have been covered instead. An attorney representing the proposed cemetery misled the Board by saying that the stockpiling would be temporary. It appears that if it is spread out, it becomes part of the ground and not a stockpile. Monk cautioned the community about "temporary" stockpiling.
15. TV News: Chair Knudsen noted that the owner of the proposed cemetery stated that construction would begin at the end of 2015. He asked for a copy of this plan. Houghton commented that it is normal to not have a proposed plan in the beginning stage.
16. Cement: Reilly noted that the cement is from Henry Kaiser's era. The owner has been pounding the debris down like a "peanut butter and jelly sandwich" and the cement is squeezing out the sides. This can be seen clearly from the nursery, but not so easily from above.

17. Criteria: Reilly asked what the criteria are for future construction projects. She is looking for solutions for other communities as well. Houghton will follow up.
18. Flooding Plan: Grey commented that there was a plan to prevent flooding, but nothing came of that plan.
19. More Information: Iwasa commented that more information is needed before the Board takes further action. She asked that individuals with questions contact her after the meeting.
20. Cemetery License: Iwasa will further investigate the license application for the proposed cemetery. Chair Knudsen reminded everyone that the proposed cemetery is on P-2 land, which is preservation land, and noted that any debris would flow down to Maunalua Bay.
21. Health Effects: Reilly asked the State Board of Health about possible health effects of the stockpiling and learned that no studies have been done in decades.

Koko Crater Equestrian Center: Emogene Yoshimura reported the following: Rescinding of Contract: The contract was rescinded because the City refused to honor her appointment to meet with the City administration and kept canceling meetings before her signing deadline elapsed. She received a letter saying that the City does not want to meet with her because the City assumed Yoshimura's lawyer would explain the contract to her. Yoshimura noted that it was "ridiculous." She will be leaving permanently and thanked the community for support over 25 years.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Current Contract: Yoshimura confirmed for Knudsen that her current contract ends on May 31, 2015, and a new vendor will take over the next day.
- New Location: Yoshimura confirmed for Knudsen that her new location is in Waimanalo.
- Thank You: Yoshimura thanked the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board and Hawaii Kai community for supporting Koko Crater Stables and shared the story of a girl who became a horse trainer as a result of riding at Koko Crater Stables.
- Memories: Altonn asked where the polo horses will go and what happens to the stables after June 1, 2015. Yoshimura stated that she asked the owners of the polo horses to leave. The new vendor is Christina Gilbertson, who, Yoshimura said, has a history of breaking rules, such as taking her horses on the crater trail. Yoshimura offered to sell Gilbertson all of her assets, but the offer was rejected. She noted that Gilbertson said she only needs her cash register and that Gilbertson was given exceptions by the City.
- Appreciation: Chair Knudsen expressed appreciation for Yoshimura for her 25 years of serving the Hawaii Kai community.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Action on renewal of a license agreement for an existing wireless communication facility at the Board of Water Supply site on Kaeleku Street, Kalama Valley: Eric Schatz from Crown Castle circulated copies of his presentation and presented the following: Introduction: Crown Castle is a wireless infrastructure provider, managing the T-Mobile portion of the site at the Kalama Valley BWS reservoir. Crown Castle does not represent AT&T, the other service provider at the site. BWS has directed Crown Castle to present the license renewal request to the Neighborhood Board. As technology changes the equipment also changes, although the appearance has not changed from the public viewpoint. There are no major changes anticipated for this site.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Equipment Replacements: Chair Knudsen asked if there will be equipment replacements and if the replacements would be bigger or taller, or if there are any resident concerns about noise. Schatz replied that he is not aware of any complaints during his two years managing this site. Schatz assured Chair Knudsen that any major changes would have to go through the appropriate process and there are no major changes at this time.
2. Board Approval: Chair Knudsen noted that the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board does not have the authority to directly approve or reject the license application.
3. Changes: Reilly asked and Schatz responded that it is unlikely that there would be any additional service providers in such a small space. He also noted that the knoll provides adequate height so that nothing taller is needed.
4. Kalama Valley Carriers: Chair Knudsen asked if Schatz knew which carriers are at the Kalama Valley Shopping Center site. Schatz replied that Verizon is at the center and Sprint has the stealth tree site on the golf course.
5. Relocation: Altonn asked if the equipment would be relocated if the BWS renewal did not happen. Schatz answered that there are two service providers at the BWS site, T-Mobile and AT&T. Speaking for his

client, T-Mobile, he said they would be forced to move somewhere else, but that there is limited commercial space available for new projects.

6. BWS: Reilly thanked BWS for asking Schatz to attend tonight's meeting.
7. No Objections: Chair Knudsen noted that since there are no objections, he would draft a letter stating that there were no objections from the Board regarding the site.

Discussion/Action relating to the emergency siren-warning tower recently erected near Sandy Beach on Kalaniana'ole Highway at Kealahou Street: George Burnett, Telecommunications Branch chief, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HEMA) presented the following:

Introduction: Aging sirens need replacement. There are seven existing sirens in the Hawaii Kai district, each reaching residences within a one-mile radius. There are two additional sirens scheduled for installation in a year or so. There will be 271 sites in a State-wide siren modernization program. As part of the modernization program, HEMA made some presentations at neighborhood boards, but did not present to Hawaii Kai.

- Upgrades: The Maunaloa Bay and Hanauma Bay sites need siren upgrades. HEMA works with Kamehameha Schools (KS) to utilize these sites. The siren at Sea Life Park was upgraded and the siren at Makapuu (Makai Pier) will be replaced with a new siren.
- Funding: The Hawaii State Legislature has been funding HEMA, but they do not yet have enough funding to complete all projects.
- Sandy Beach: The siren at Sandy Beach was installed in coordination with the State Department of Transportation. Burnett regrets that the new siren is highly visible and an obstruction of the Scenic Byway view. There may be some ways to reduce the visual impact.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Upgrades: Altonn asked for the rationale for upgrades and new locations of sirens. Burnett replied that the Sandy Beach siren is new and was moved from the sewage plant in an effort to provide more coverage in Kalama Valley. For the two new sirens at Maunaloa Bay and Hanauma Bay, HEMA needs approval from KS and the City. Deed restrictions at those sites require the land be used for recreational activity. HEMA has asked the City to inquire if KS can approve an exception to the deed to include public safety purposes.
2. Kamehameha Schools: Reilly asked about the existing sirens, and if the new sirens are bigger. Burnett replied for the existing sirens, there is no approval documentation and there may be legal issues. Burnett noted that the new siren towers are taller, but their reach is 1/3 smaller. Reilly asked if Burnett spoke with KS. Burnett replied that an informal request was sent, but they have not received a reply yet.
3. Location of Sirens: Chair Knudsen noted that placing a siren on the beach means that about 1/3 of its reach is over the ocean and asked why the siren was not put further inland. Burnett replied that in retrospect, the sirens should have been in a different location.
4. Area Coverage: Altonn noted that since the older sirens had more area coverage, more new sirens would be needed to cover the same area. Burnett acknowledged that is true to some degree, however the overall effort is to replace the old sirens because of new technology, including a satellite modem which sends information back to them as well.
5. Kalama Valley: Chair Knudsen noted that he could hear the siren in Kalama Valley even with the old siren. Burnett responded that environmental elements variably affect how sound travels.
6. Relocation Price: Garvin asked if the siren could be relocated. Burnett stated that it was possible, but would cost \$50,000.
7. Board Action: Reilly asked how the Board could be on record to request that the Sandy Beach tower, when it comes time for its replacement, be moved to where it does not obstruct the view plane. Burnett noted that HEMA has taken steps to carefully review any view obstructions at other siren locations. The Sea Life Park siren has been moved to the mauka side and is no longer as visible.
8. Community Perspective: Reilly offered the Board's assistance in connecting with the community perspective. She asked that the Board submit a letter to HEMA for the record relating to siren locations. Chair Knudsen noted that Reilly is also involved with the Scenic Byway project.

BOARD COMMITTEES: There were no board committees' minutes to report.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 31, 2015, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: **As there were no objections, the regular meeting minutes of March 31, 2015 were APPROVED, with amendments, by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE**: Altonn, Garvin, Grey, Iwasa, Jaxon, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Monk, Reilly, Rutkowski, and Taamu-Miyashiro; **NAY**: None; **ABSTAIN**: none). Amendments are as follows:

1. Page 6, under City Budget Cuts: Should read "...proposed cuts for HART operating or CIP budgets and..."

2. Page 7, under New Business: Should read “between revenue figures reported to the Senate and HART’s audit.”
3. Page 8, line 1: the amount should be \$119, not \$190 million.
4. Page 8, line 5: Motion should read “...any increase to property taxes to fund rail construction.”

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 28, 2015, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: As there were no objections, the regular meeting minutes of April 28, 2015 were APPROVED, with amendments, by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE: Altonn, Garvin, Grey, Iwasa, Jaxon, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Monk, Reilly, Rutkowski, and Taamu-Miyashiro; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: none). Amendments are as follows:

1. Page 2, under Keawawa Wetlands/Haweia Heiau: Should read: “The Open House at Aloha Aina O Kamilonui Valley...”
2. Page 3, under Private Trash Pickup: Should read: “...because it is a private road and is too narrow.”

Iwasa asked that correspondence from the Board to city elected officials and agencies be included in the minutes. Chair Knudsen noted that any interested board members could contact him to assist in the review of the minutes.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Rutkowski reported total expenses of \$24.86 for April 2015, with a balance of \$208.69. The report was filed. Chair Knudsen asked Neighborhood Assistant Uyen Vong if NCO is reducing funding for the neighborhood boards. Vong stated she was not aware of any cut in funding.

OTHER BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- NCO Leadership: Chair Knudsen announced that NCO executive secretary Nicole Velasco is the new director for the Office of Economic Development (OED). Bryan Mick is now serving as the acting NCO executive secretary.
- 2015 Installation Ceremony: Chair Knudsen noted that the installation ceremony for the new neighborhood board term is to be held June 27, 2015, at Mission Memorial Auditorium. The Board will fill the Subdistrict 8 vacancy for the new term at the July 2015 meeting.
- Sunshine Law Video: Grey commented that the Sunshine Law video is online at the NCO website. Grey also noted frustration in providing proof of completion of the Sunshine Law training.
- Senate Bill 419, Senate Draft 2, House Draft 1, Conference Draft 1: Chair Knudsen explained that SB 419, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 allows more than a quorum of members of the neighborhood board to attend public meetings without violating Sunshine Law, under certain circumstances. SB 419 is now pending Governor Ige’s approval.
- Adopted Amendments to the Neighborhood Plan: Chair Knudsen commented that there were no major amendments to the Neighborhood Plan. He noted that the executive secretary has responsibility for maintaining the mailing list and stated that the boards should also have access to the mailing list. The amendments are available online at the NCO website.
- Correspondence:
 - LED Lights Motion: Chair Knudsen sent the motion regarding LED lights, approved by the Board at the March 2015 meeting, to the City Council.
 - Crosswalk and “No Parking” Zone near 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive Development: Chair Knudsen reported that correspondence regarding the requested crosswalk near the 7000 Hawaii Kai development was sent. The request for a “No Parking” zone near the 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive development was sent and is currently under consideration. An answer should be provided by November 2015.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Board Meeting: The next regular meeting for the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 is scheduled for Tuesday, June 30, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at Hahaione Elementary School cafeteria.
- Olelo Viewings: The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 regular meetings are cablecast on Olelo channel 49. Current and past meeting videos can also be seen online at www.olelo.org/olelonet or through the Neighborhood Commission Office’s website.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Submitted by: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed by: Jordan Ozaki, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed and Finalized by: Secretary René Garvin
Reviewed and Finalized by: Chair Greg Knudsen



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Director Michael Formby
Department of Transportation Services
City and County of Honolulu
630 South King Street, 3rd floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Director Formby,

At our February 24, 2015, meeting, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board voted 9-3 to approve the following motion relating to a request for a new no parking zone and crosswalk on a portion of Hawaii Kai Drive:

Due to safety concerns for drivers and pedestrians, and requests from residents, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 requests establishment of a “no parking zone” on the mauka side of Hawaii Kai Drive, beginning at the Keahole Street intersection and ending at the first bus stop.

Additionally, the Board requests a pedestrian crosswalk on Hawaii Kai Drive in close proximity to that bus stop for the safety of pedestrians and bus riders in that area.

The no-parking request is already being voluntarily observed by construction workers at 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive and by volunteers at the Hawea Heiau Complex and Keawawa Wetland preservation parcel. The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board requests that the City consider installation of no-parking signs as needed to make the prohibition official.

On the crosswalk, considerable discussion was held about how the existing bus stop on the mauka side is far from any intersection, so bus riders cut across Hawaii Kai Drive without the safety benefit of a crosswalk. The situation will become a greater concern with increased traffic and population after the completion of the 269-unit, family-oriented apartments at 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive. Therefore, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board formally requests that the City install a crosswalk across Hawaii Kai Drive that is near and convenient to users of the bus stop that is opposite 6875 Hawaii Kai Drive.

Aloha,

Greg Knudsen, Chairperson

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Director George Atta
Department of Planning and Permitting
City and County of Honolulu
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Director Atta,

The developers of the Kalama Hokupa'a Residential Cluster (permit application No. 2015/CL-2) made a presentation to the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board on April 28. Board members and residents had the opportunity to ask questions and express concerns.

The main concern was to preserve existing pedestrian and bicycle access from the end of Mokuhano Street to the Hawaii Kai Golf Course. The current path crosses the P-2 portion of the property and is not directly affected by the cluster housing plan, but there was strong interest in getting this concern on the record at this time. Blocking or restricting access to the path would cause up to a two-mile detour for other Kalama Valley residents.

Additional concerns were expressed relating to the quantity of onsite parking and access for emergency vehicles on the private road. The developer provided adequate responses.

After the meeting, based on current property staking and other markers near the end of Mokuhano Street, some concerns developed about the exact property boundary of the P-2 land and its relation to access to the adjoining property known as Mau'uwai.

In all, the scaled back plan for 14 residences met far less resistance than the previous proposal for 26 cluster housing units. We would appreciate all future notices and requests for input when it comes to plans affecting the P-2 portion of the property.

Aloha,

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The Honorable Ernie Martin
Chairperson
Honolulu City Council
530 S. King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chairperson Martin,

At our April 28, 2015, meeting the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board unanimously voted to approve the following motion related to the city's plan to install LED streetlighting:

The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 supports use of warmer 3000K LED streetlights and asks the Honolulu City Council to introduce a bill to be considered for a new lighting ordinance.

Richard Wainscoat, PhD., professor at the University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy, presented information to the board about the city's plans to replace all current streetlights with 4000K LED lights. This color, he said, tends to be very bright and would contribute to the island's light pollution. He demonstrated several lights with differing temperatures and mentioned that Oahu is the only island with no lighting ordinance at the county level.

We therefore ask you introduce a street lighting bill that would require color temperatures of 3000K rather than 4000K, and to consider a new lighting ordinance for Honolulu that addresses issues of light pollution.

Aloha,



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Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary
NOAA/DKIRC

attn: Malia Chow, superintendent
1845 Wasp Blvd., Bldg. 176
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear Superintendent Chow,

The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board expresses appreciation for NOAA's plan to protect Maunalua Bay by possibly designating the bay as a Special Sanctuary Management Area, which is an option in NOAA's Draft Management Plan for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary. We also acknowledge the larger option to designate Maunalua Bay and other areas of the whale sanctuary to protect reefs in those areas.

We believe Maunalua Bay is a critical marine resource worth saving. In the past, the Board has supported those who believe that the degraded waters and damaged reef of Maunalua Bay need to be restored to health. Several community organizations and many volunteers have made great progress in restoring the Bay. We recognize their efforts and continue to support their community-based projects. When the habitat is restored, the once-abundant sea life will return to Maunalua Bay.

Maunalua Bay, which stretches from Black Point to Koko Head, is home to more than 60,000 East Honolulu residents. The bay is widely enjoyed by commercial operators, tourists, paddlers, surfers, swimmers, fishers, and residents. Yet, the bay is one of the most negatively impacted marine environments in our islands. In a 2014 survey of residents and volunteers, 94% of those surveyed stated that the bay was significant to their quality of life; 98% further said that they were concerned about the health of the bay. According to scientific studies, Maunalua Bay has the lowest fish population per volume of water of any of the 40 sites surveyed across the islands.

During NOAA's brief presentation to the Board on May 26, we were not able to fully discuss the merits of the NOAA plan or dialogue with the greater community. Therefore, at this time, we remain interested in learning more about the opportunity to help restore Maunalua Bay through the NOAA plan as well as the plan's effects on all users of the bay.

Aloha,

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