



ALIAMANU/ SALT LAKE/ FOSTER VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 18

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2015
OAHU VETERANS CENTER

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Pro Tem David Yomes called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. **Quorum was established with seven (7) members present.** Note: This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Larry Baird, Gloria Borland, Dennis Egge (arrived at 7:18 p.m.), Kendrick Go, Patti Igawa (arrived at 7:18 p.m.), Len Pepper, Roderick Spadinger, Marcia Tagavilla, and David Yomes.

Board Members Absent: None.

Guests: Captain Blaine Shimizu (Honolulu Fire Department); Sergeant Modesto Ramos (Honolulu Police Department – District 3); Lieutenant Brian West and Sergeant Keith Kessler (Honolulu Police Department – District 5); Gloria Yang, Ernie Lau, and Erwin Kawata (Board of Water Supply); Director Gary Nakata (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative); Pat Lee (Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transportation); Dennis Arakaki, Annika Carlson, and Mitch Cabreros (Councilmember Joey Manahan); Representative Linda Ichiyama; Representative Aaron Johanson; Victor Flint and Tom Clements (U.S. Navy); Sherwin Pang (Moanalua High School); Donna Schreiber (Radford High School); David Wymen (Verizon Wireless); Bob Cunningham (Neighborhood Security Watch); Kenneth Kanehiro (Greenwood); Chandra Kanemaru, A.H. Smith, George Krueger, Susan Krueger, A. Rolston, and Howard Shima (Residents); David Amodo (DVDModo); Neighborhood Assistant Neil Baarde (Neighborhood Commission Office).

Roll Call of Board Members: **Quorum was established with seven (7) members present.**

Chair Pro Tem Yomes took the agenda out of order to City and County Police/Fire.

CITY AND COUNTY POLICE/FIRE:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain (Capt.) Blaine Shimizu reported the following:

- June 2015 Fire Statistics: There were 3 structure fires, 2 wildland fires, 1 rubbish fire, 1 vehicle fire, 1 search/rescue, 135 medical and 47 miscellaneous calls for service. No major or unusual incidents.
- Summer Home Safety Tips for Kids: With island keiki on summer break, this is an opportune time to review the home surroundings for potentially dangerous situations. Take the time to childproof the home. Check for situations that may cause electrical shock, accidental falls, and/or poisoning from unsecured medications, cleaning products, and/or household plants. Ensure that swimming pools are properly fenced and gated. An alarm on the door from the house to the pool can help prevent unattended keiki from drowning. Keep matches and lighters in a safe, secured place away from children.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: Ambulance: Pepper noted that he spoke with Captain Jenkins and commented that he has heard rumors of the Moanalua Fire Station trying to station an Ambulance Unit there. Captain Shimizu responded that currently, there are no such plans, but will follow up with more information.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD):

District 3, Pearl City: Sergeant Modesto Ramos reported the following:

- June 2015 Crime Statistics: There were 1 vehicle theft, 1 burglary, 7 thefts and 3 unauthorized entries into a motor vehicle (UEMV); totaling 6,354 calls for service.
- Safety Tip: Be especially careful of vehicles that are turning at intersections. Drivers may be looking out for other vehicles instead of pedestrians.

HPD District 5, Kalihi: Lieutenant Brian West reported the following:

- June 2015 Crime Statistics: There were 8 motor vehicle thefts, 1 burglary, 7 thefts, and 7 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV); totaling 678 calls for service.

- Safety Tip: Storms will pass, but the community should prepare now. Lieutenant West suggested keeping watch of the National Weather Station and should keep track because when the range reaches 80, it becomes a hurricane.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Nixle: Chandra Kanemaru suggested that the community download the Nixle App to their smart phone.
2. Dispatcher: Kenneth Kanehiro noted that he appreciates HPDs work and noted that he has observed that sometimes the dispatchers overreacts. Kanehiro noted that at the Kalihi Station, all of HPD has their lights on to deter mischief.

Chair Pro Tem Yomes called the meeting back to order with Election of Officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

- Chair: Pepper nominated Yomes for Chair. Baird seconded the motion. **Hearing no other nominations, the Board UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED Yomes to Chair, 7-0-0.** (AYE: Baird, Borland, Go, Pepper, Spadinger, Tagavilla, and Yomes.)
- Vice Chair: Yomes nominated Pepper for Vice Chair. Baird seconded the nomination. **Hearing no other nominations, the Board UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED Pepper to Vice Chair, 7-0-0.** (AYE: Baird, Borland, Go, Pepper, Spadinger, Tagavilla, and Yomes.)
- Treasurer: Yomes nominated Spadinger for Treasurer. Baird seconded the nomination. **Hearing no other nominations, the Board UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED Spadinger to Treasurer, 7-0-0.** (AYE: Baird, Borland, Go, Pepper, Spadinger, Tagavilla, and Yomes.)
- Secretary: **Hearing no nominations, Tagavilla volunteered to be elected as Secretary. The Board UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED Tagavilla to Secretary, 7-0-0.** (AYE: Baird, Borland, Go, Pepper, Spadinger, Tagavilla, and Yomes.)

Egge and Igawa arrived at 7:18 p.m.; **Nine (9) members present.**

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Gloria Yang reported the following:

- Main Breaks: There were no water main breaks for the months of May and June 2015.
- Unthirsty Plant Sale: The BWS and Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden will be holding the annual Halawa Xeriscape Garden open house and unthirsty plant sale on Saturday, August 1, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The public is invited to this family-friendly event that features a wide variety of less-thirsty and native plants at moderate prices, xeriscape workshops by garden experts, keiki activities, educational booths, a cactus display, delicious food, free compost, and more. There is no charge for admission. Proceeds from the event will help support educational programs and classes at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden. For more information, visit www.boardofwatersupply.com or call the BWS Communications Office at 748-5041. The BWS can also be contacted on Facebook and Twitter.
- Red Hill Fuel Tank Leak Update: On Tuesday, June 23, 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and State Department of Health (DOH) responded to a BWS request to have the Red Hill Administrative Order of Consent (AOC) and Statement of Work (SOW) public comment period extended. The EPA and DOH granted BWS' request, extending the opportunity for receiving public comments to Tuesday, July 20, 2015. To receive consideration, comments on the AOC may be submitted via postal mail or email prior to the new deadline. More information on this issue is available at www.boardofwatersupply.com.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Leak Detection: Spadinger asked if BWS still has a process of detecting leaks on the roads. Ernie Lau responded that BWS does have a leak detection program that surveys the pipes with instruments that listens for the leaks under the roads before it becomes a main break. Spadinger asked if BWS has surveyed the Salt Lake/Aliamanu/Foster Village area. Lau noted he will follow up.
2. Pipes: Borland asked if the pipes that were installed years ago were made of iron. Lau responded that BWS does not use lead joint pipes and commented that there are a few cast iron pipes on the island that were installed in the 1930s. Borland commented that chemicals from lead pipes have been known to cause brain damage to pregnant moms and to babies.
3. Increase Rates: Chair Yomes asked why there was a 10% increase in bills. Lau responded that it is part of a planned increase used for operating costs and other Capital Improvement Plans (CIP) which will fix and repair all the possible issues BWS experiences.

4. Main Breaks: Yomes asked why it takes BWS a long time to shut off the water when a main breaks. Lau responded that the process begins 45 minutes after the break. When trying to shut off the water it could be because of the difficulty of finding the valve. Lau noted that BWS dispatches crews from various areas and travel time could be another issue. Lau noted that the numbers have been coming down in recent years, but BWS will try to find the leak or the break before it becomes a hazard.
5. Kaka'ako Area: Baird raised a concern about the Kaka'ako area and asked if the pipes are being upgraded or if BWS will replace the whole section just until the main strip. Lau responded that many of the pipes are old, but BWS is trying to upgrade all of the pipes.
6. Red Hill: Pepper raised a concern about the aquifer under Red Hill, and asked if it supplies water to the Neighborhood Board No. 18 area. Lau responded that it partially supplies the Foster Village area. The Halawa shaft connects to the aquifer but there has been no signs of contamination because BWS tests the aquifers every quarter. Pepper commented that there is no evidence of contamination yet but the tanks could have been leaking for years and asked if it is reasonable for the Federal Government to fix or help fix, because it is only a matter of time before the tanks leak again because of corrosion. Lau responded that they need to look at the cost effectiveness and noted that the water is important to the Navy as well because BWS supplies 20% of water to the Navy and to the Air Force Bases. Pepper asked if the tank were taken out of service, would BWS recommend remediation. Lau responded yes and noted that the Navy would need to expedite the process.
7. Salt Lake Boulevard Fuel Lines: Chair Yomes noted that the fuel lines have been underground for 70 years and asked when will BWS check and upgrade the lines. Lau responded that he will follow up and commented that the Navy could possibly have some furl or water lines in the area as well. Chair Yomes commented that it could be an opportunity to see if the fuel/ water lines are leaking. Lau responded that BWS will follow up and inform the Board before the BWS starts trenching.
8. Public Meeting: Chair Yomes noted that at the recent public meeting in Moanalua the media had covered the publicity extensively and asked why BWS spent \$100,000 on publicity when the media covered it for free. Lau responded that BWS only spent \$22,000 because not everyone watches the news or reads the newspapers. A special letter was sent to all of the customers. Lau noted that BWS is trying to prevent another contamination leak because it can impact the entire island. Yomes noted that the meeting seemed one (1) sided because the Navy did not have the opportunity to speak and commented that the BWS letter that was sent to all of the customers noted that the water was safe but there was a chance of contamination or a leak and asked if it was true. Lau responded that the contamination was not in the BWS wells but the Navy has found petroleum in their wells.
9. Changing of Pipes: A resident raised a concern about the pipes and asked if BWS plans on changing all of the old pipes in the area. Lau responded that BWS is halfway finished with their development of the 30 year master plan to change all the pipes, wells, and pump station to try and keep the affordability.

Chair Yomes took the agenda out of order to Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS REPORTS:

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Director Gary Nakata reported the following:

- Draft Environmental Assessment (EA): Nakata announced that he has spoken to Director Kroning and noted that the draft EA has been sent to the Department of Transportation (DOT) and to the Federal Highways Administration.
- Twilight Summer Series: Every Thursday in June and July take a stroll through Foster Botanical Gardens and enjoy a concert from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Admission is free from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Ala Liliikoi and Salt Lake Boulevard Traffic Study: The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) has completed their evaluation, which included site observations, and has confirmed that vehicles were not causing a backup on Salt Lake Boulevard near the driveway of Aliamanu Intermediate Elementary School. As such, additional traffic control devices are not necessary at this time. According to Section 291C-81 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, vehicles turning right are to turn as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway before changing lanes. It is illegal for motorists to turn right from the Aliamanu Middle and Elementary School's driveway into the far left turn lane on Salt Lake Boulevard in order to turn left onto Ala Liliikoi Street. HPD should be informed of this concern whenever violations are observed as they are the appropriate agency. Motorists adhering to this section will not interfere with East bound motorists on Salt Lake Boulevard.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Ala Liliikoi and Salt Lake Boulevard Traffic Study: Pepper noted that it is illegal to go into the far left lane to turn onto Ala Liliikoi Street. Pepper noted that it happens every day when the students are dropped off

and picked up and commented that the community cannot call HPD each time. Pepper noted that he is willing to go on a site visit with DTS to find another solution. Baird commented that DTS does not care about Neighborhood Board. No 18 because this issue was a complaint that was noted five (5) years ago and the Board is still getting the run around. Baird noted that they do not live in the area, but the Board members do and use the roads every day. Baird commented that DTS needs to investigate the issue. Nakata noted the Board's concerns and will follow up.

2. Salt Lake Boulevard Median Strip: Howard Shima raised a concern about the median strip on Salt Lake Boulevard by the Salt Lake Shopping Center and noted that the issue was brought up last year but nothing has been done yet. Shima noted that the irrigation has been put in but the plating is the only thing left and asked why that median strip can't be like the other median strips along Salt Lake Boulevard. Nakata will follow up.
3. Graffiti Task Force: Chair Yomes noted that Shima had started a graffiti task force back in the day, but Governor Abercrombie was against the community work and asked if a City non-profit affiliate can continue the task force. Nakata will follow up. Shima commented that the City should re-activate the task force and encourage the citizens to alleviate the graffiti. Chair Yomes noted that the Board can volunteer and participate in the clean ups or other community projects.
4. King Street Bike Lane: Baird raised a concern about the City Newsletter's that have been showing the King Street Bicycle lane and asked if the lanes are going in both directions. Nakata will follow up. Baird noted that many people do not know the full rules and regulations of bicycles and commented that HPD should teach kids and some adults.
5. Salt Lake Widening Project: Pepper asked if the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) had been done for the widening of Salt Lake Boulevard. Nakata responded that the EIS had been done for the under developed section and is expecting the results for comments by August 2015.
6. Street Lights: Spadinger raised a concern about the lack of street lights on Ala Punani and Ala Ilima. Spadinger noted that the lights are needed for safety and because it is near a High School. Nakata will follow up. Baird raised a concern about the City and County synchronizing the lights and noted that the City said they would follow up but nothing has been done. Nakata will follow up.

Chair Yomes took the agenda out of order to School/Residents'/Community Concerns.

School/Residents'/Community Concerns:

- Radford High School: Donna Schreiber announced that Radford High School has made an initiative for solar air conditioning. Radford High School has been a part of the community since 1947 and greatly appreciates the support of the Board and the community. Chair Yomes asked if all of the classrooms have an air conditioning unit. Schreiber responded that not all the classrooms have an air conditioning unit. Borland commented that the classrooms do not have air conditioning and noted that compared to Moanalua High School, Radford High School gets the short end of the stick. Egge commented that maybe one (1) of the community's Representatives can draft a resolution for next month's meeting. Chair Yomes agreed and noted that all the schools are important.
- Moanalua High School: Sherwood Pang noted that majority of the classrooms are not air conditioned only a few are. Pang distributed their homecoming parade route and noted that the parade will be on Friday, September 18, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. Pang noted that the parade will impede traffic for about 40 minutes but should be done quickly and safely.

Rail Transit Project (RTP): Pat Lee reported the following:

- Honolulu Traffic Congestion: Honolulu remains one of the most congested cities in America. In a study released earlier this year, Honolulu's traffic congestion ranked third-worst in the nation, behind Los Angeles and San Francisco. The study was based on information from navigational devices and ranks 200 markets across the world. Using commuter information gleaned from car and truck GPS systems and smart phone apps, data was studied for various times of the day to determine when people are stuck in traffic and for how long. In the category Commuter Stress Index, Honolulu is ranked No. 1. The CSI measures congestion in both directions during both the morning and evening rush hours. Traffic congestion grows as the population grows. Oahu's population is forecast to continue to increase and the number of vehicles on the island will increase along with population growth. Much of this growth will be within the 20 mile corridor served by rail, from East Kapolei to urban Honolulu. Once completed, rail will offer commuters an alternative to driving in traffic and reduce the rate of future traffic congestion by eliminating as much as 40,000 daily vehicle trips from our congested roads and highways.
- Jobs: The number of rail jobs in the first quarter of this year grew to 1,427. The quarterly job count includes current contractors Kiewit, Ansaldo Honolulu JV, Nan, various architectural firms working for the

project, along with HART staff. Sixty-one percent of those jobs are local hires, with that number expected to grow as the rail project moves forward and more construction contracts are awarded. Hawaiian Dredging was awarded the \$79M Farrington Hwy Station Group contract and NAN received the \$56M West Oahu Station Group contract. These are the latest construction highlights: 247 foundation shafts, 164 columns, 2,783 segments cast, and 117 spans. Over three (3) miles of guideway are completed and the rail guideway is now proceeding into the Waipahu area.

- Business Outreach Program Workshops: As part of HART's business outreach program, we are conducting two workshops, one in the Pearl City/Aiea area and a second one in Waipahu to help businesses market their businesses online using Social Media. The workshops are designed to assist businesses who are located along the alignment in Waipahu and Aiea/Pearl City, with additional customer outreach during rail construction on Farrington and Kamehameha Highways. The workshops are: Saturday, July 11th, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the FilCom Center in Waipahu and Saturday, July 18th, 2015, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. at the Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria. If you are interested you can register via email at info@HonoluluTransit.org or call (808) 768-6117. For traffic updates, meeting notices and more information, please visit the website www.honolulutransit.org, call the project hotline at 566-2299 or email a question at info@honolulutransit.org.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Electricity: A resident raised a concern about how HART will get the electricity to run the trains. Lee responded that he cannot speak for the Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) but noted that he heard that HECO will have and supply adequate power for the trains and each station.
2. Community Impact: Spadinger asked when the Neighborhood Board No. 18 community will be impacted by HART. Lee responded that they are already doing some work by Aloha Stadium to Middle Street. Lee commented that some lanes will be closed and noted that all of the information can be found on their website.

Councilmember Joey Manahan's Representative: Dennis Arakaki circulated a written report and highlighted the following:

- Frequently Called Numbers: Arakaki noted that included in the newsletter was a list of frequently called numbers and commented that their office will respond in a timely manner.
- Salt Lake Widening: The Salt Lake Widening project is included in the Traffic Improvement Plans of 2015-2016 pending the final passage by the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) on Monday, July 20, 2015.
- Ala Liliroi and Arizona Road: The field study shows that motorists are speeding both ways. The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) has installed higher fine zones, the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) have put up the proper signs, and HPD has been asked to enforce the area.
- Salt Lake Median: The request has been made to clean and paint the Salt Lake Boulevard median from the Diamond Head side of Ala Liliroi by Moanalua High School. Arakaki noted that the problem that was reported is the process of transferring the issue to DTS.
- Graffiti: Arakaki noted that the Neighborhood Board No. 15 Kalihi Palama made a task force on gang violence in Kalihi. The Board has started a task force and established graffiti clean ups with other organizations. Arakaki commented that if the Board would like to do the same for the Neighborhood Board No. 18 area.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Dead Vines: Pepper noted that the Board has begged the City to leave the vines alone in the canyon area and commented that the Board would like the walls painted and the vines be left alone.
2. Police Petition: Borland raised a concern and asked about the petition for police protection that Councilmember Manahan presented. Arakaki responded that Councilmember Manahan asked for an extra squad car but was too late. He also asked for an EMS Ambulance because the area is in between two (2) districts. Pepper commented that there is no room and no plans to have an extra unit or an ambulance at the station and noted that he will contact the station to see if they have any plans to put a unit there.
3. Newsletters: Spadinger raised a concern about the newsletters and asked if Councilmember Manahan can send them to the Board a week before the meeting so the members can thoroughly read through them. Pepper asked if Councilmember Manahan would need a letter of request from the Board. Arakaki noted that it would help.

Governor David Ige's Representative: No Representative was present and no report was provided.

Senator Glenn Wakai: No Representative was present and no report was provided.

Representative Linda Ichiyama: Representative Ichiyama circulated her report and noted that an additional ambulance would have to be funded by the State. Representative Ichiyama commented that she put in a request for additional funding for the local hospitals but it did not pass.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Ambulance: Pepper noted that there is no possibility because there is no room. The State should work with Kaiser or make other arrangements. Baird asked if the ambulance can be stationed anywhere. Representative Ichiyama responded that the ambulance needs to be stationed at Kaiser but usually they are stationed at a fire station or a hospital. Egge noted that the point is to have the ambulance and the fire crew together. Representative Ichiyama responded that they could possibly find room but the ambulance crews like to be stationed at hospitals. Pepper noted that he spoke to a representative from PIO and they said that there is no room at the Moanalua station and they will not make exceptions.

Representative Aaron Johanson: Representative Johanson reported the following:

- Radford Track: Representative Johanson announced that he met with the Department of Education (DOE) and noted that the dispute is over jurisdiction. DOE noted that they will pay for the new bleachers and commented that due to the delays the completion date has been pushed back a few months. Representative Johanson noted that he is concerned about the track but at least the project is moving forward.
- Red Hill Fuel Leak Update: The January 2014 leak at the Red Hill Underground Fuel Storage Facility is and has been a serious issue facing the community and the entire state. To stay involved with the process, the Department of Health (DOH) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Statement of Work (SOW). The negotiated agreement has been extended to Monday, July 20, 2015. Comments can be submitted via email to Redhill@epa.gov.
- Ready2React Emergency Preparedness Fair: The ready 2 react emergency preparedness fair will be on Saturday, July 25, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Pearlridge Shopping Center.

U. S. Military: Victor Flint reported the following:

- Radford Track: An update had been sent to the Board. Flint noted he will follow up with more information.
- Red Hill Fuel Leak: Flint assured the community that the Navy is working with the Board of Health (BOH) and the EPA to mitigate the situation. They are currently working on repairing and trying to alleviate future leaks.
- Water Quality Report: The drinking water from the Navy's well is safe and they are working on keeping it that way. Flint noted that they have been monitoring the wells 24/7.
- Board of Water Supply: Tom Clements, the public affairs officer, noted that the water is important to both the military and the community. BWS has been noted that rely on pipes that were installed in the 1930s. Redhill was constructed in the 1940s but has been upgraded on a regular basis. Clements read a brief history of Red Hill and noted that the Navy are good stewards of the land and its resources.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed: Boundaries: Baird asked if the Navy will install a boundary fence near or around the tanks. Flint responded that it is a part of the Aliamanu Hill restoration project. There have been rocks falling onto the property. The project will consist of planting new grass and installing a fence, the project was supposed to start in April 2015 but the project will begin August 2015. Baird raised a concern about the water tanks being refurbished and asked how long it will take to refurbish the tanks. Flint noted he will follow up. Chair Yomes noted that their community has a vast number of military families off the base and commented that the Navy has always been receptive to the concerns of the community and thanked the Navy. Flint noted that all the information can be found online at cnic.navy.mil/redhill.

Chair Yomes took the agenda out of order to Presentations.

PRESENTATIONS:

AECOM Zone Changes and Conditional Use Permit (CUP): No representative was present and no report was provided.

Mira Image Construction: No representative was present and no report was provided.

Verizon Wireless Tower Proposal: David Wymen reported that the West Tower Communications company, now called Mass Tech Communications, will build the 70 foot tower at the Stadium Mall, behind Ice Palace. The tower will be disguised as a monopine.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Notifications: Chair Yomes asked if the residents nearby have been notified. Wymen responded that they have not been notified yet because they need a waiver permit from the City and commented that the residents will be notified soon.
2. Lease: Borland asked how long they are leasing the lot. Wymen responded that the lease is 20 years with the option of an extension. Borland asked if the tower will emit harmful radiation waves. Wymen responded not specifically, because it generates 500 watts at most and the satellite will give much less. Wymen noted that a microwave oven emits more radiation than the tower.
3. Electronic Interference: Pepper asked if there is any risk of interference for electronic equipment. Wymen responded that generally there are set of requirements for a facility but there should not be any interference, but Wymen will follow up with more information.

BOARD BUSINESS: Board Business was deferred due to time constraints.

Chair Yomes took the agenda out of order to Board Recess Schedule.

Board Recess Schedule: **By UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 9-0-0 the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 will recess in *DECEMBER 2015 and JUNE 2016*; (Aye: Baird, Borland, Egge, Go, Igawa, Pepper, Spadinger, Tagavilla, and Yomes.)**

Treasurer's Report: Item was deferred due to time constraints.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Meeting: The next regular Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at the Oahu Veterans Center (OVC) Fred Ballard meeting hall, 1298 Kukila Street, Honolulu, HI 96818.
- Broadcasts: Broadcasts of Board meetings are aired on `Olelo Channel 49 on the fourth Saturday of the month at 9:00 p.m.; and the second and fourth Friday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Submitted by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant,
Reviewed by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant;
Final Review by: Chair David Yomes.

Resolution Relating to Traffic Congestion on the Freeway

WHEREAS, the traffic congestion on the H=1 Freeway and the Moanalua Freeway has been unbearable for commuters traveling to and from work and schools with no immediate relief in sight; and

WHEREAS, the H-1 Freeway from the Makakilo Drive overpass to Kilauea Avenue (covering some 30 miles), and the Moanalua Freeway from Middle Street to the Aiea Heights Drive overpass in both directions generates high volume of peak hour traffic in the morning and afternoon; and

WHEREAS, Communities and taxpayers from Waianae to Hawaii Kai are being affected by this unbearable traffic jams; and

WHEREAS, the State Government and the Community needs to come together to find immediate solutions for this traffic congestion during the morning and afternoon peak hour traffic to improve our quality of life and lessen the frustration from being in these unbearable traffic jams; and

WHEREAS, the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 urges the Governor, State Legislators, and the State Department of Transportation to seriously consider the following recommendations to help lessen the traffic burden for Oahu's drivers; and

WHEREAS, the focus of peak hour traffic times should be concentrated from 6:00 a.m. till 8:00 a.m. (2-hours) and from 4:00 p.m. till 6:00 p.m. (2-hours); and

WHEREAS, the State Government implement a law banning **ALL** large commercial vehicles over 7,000 lbs. GVW, from utilizing the above Freeway locations during the above Peak Hour times; and

WHEREAS, the State Government exempt Buses from this law who actively move passengers from different destinations; and

WHEREAS, the above law in place shall fine the driver of this commercial vehicle **\$200** (two hundred dollars) **AND** the Registered Owner or Company of this commercial vehicle be fine **\$1,000** (one-thousand dollars) for each violation, **AND** this vehicle in violation of this law be immediately escorted off of the Freeway by Police; and

WHEREAS, this proposed law would remove over **500**-commercial vehicles from the morning commute during the morning peak hours (6:00am-8:00am) during this two hour period. **AND** remove over **500**-commercial vehicles during the afternoon peak hour period (4:00 pm-6:00pm), with a total of **1,000** large commercial vehicles, mostly large trucks; eliminated from the Freeway during peak hour traffic **EVERYDAY**; and

WHEREAS, this Board would ask that these Companies owning these large trucks that would be affected, seriously consider moving their goods before peak hour or after peak hour times on the freeway

WHEREAS, fines collected could be used to assist the daily operation of our planned Rail (HART) System; and

WHEREAS, large planned developments in Central and West OAHU are being scheduled and solving this traffic crisis is imperative; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Salt Lake/Aliamanu/Foster Village Neighborhood Board No. 18 fully supports these recommendations and proposed law encouraging tis enactment and implementation by State Government; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Neighborhood Board No. 18 encourages all Neighborhood Boards to help support this resolution in an effort to lessen the traffic gridlock on our Freeways; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State of Hawaii; State Legislative Leaders, State Department of Transportation, The Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu and members of the City Council of the City and County of Honolulu, the City and County Department of Transportation; the City's Neighborhood Commission Office and **ALL** Chairs of our Neighborhood Board System.

Adopted by Neighborhood Board No. 18 at its regular meeting on May 14, 2014.