



## WAIPAHU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 22

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2015 FILIPINO COMMUNITY CENTER**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Rito Saniatan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum was established with 14 members present.** Note: This 19-member Board requires 10 members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Maureen Andrade, Marty Burke, Cory Chun, Lorraine Duhaylonsod, Marcella Granquist (appointed tonight), Connie Herolaga, Kent Jiang, Darryl Macha, Richard Oshiro, Ilalo Parayno, Rito Saniatan, Blaine Tsugawa, Ruffalyne Villanueva, Chuck Wheatley, and George Yakowenko.

**Board Members Absent:** Sy Cullen, Braunsen Kalaikai, and Peter Lee.

**Guests:** Captain Eric Abella and Firefighter Kawika Harbottle (Honolulu Fire Department); Major Dagan Tsuchida, Captain Craig Uehira, and Lieutenant Aaron Farias (Honolulu Police Department); Kaipo Paiva (Weed and Seed's representative); Major Amanda Shumaker and Donna Klapakis (599th Transportation Brigade); Ed Manglallan (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative); Executive Secretary Nicole Velasco (Neighborhood Commission Office); Councilmember Brandon Elefante; Dion Mesta (Councilmember Elefante's Office); Senator Clarence Nishihara; Manjari Fergusson (Senator Mike Gabbard's Office); Tyler Kawano (Representative Roy Takumi's Office); Executive Director Dan Grabauskas, Pat Lee, Scott Ishikawa, and Darin Mar (Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transit); Aileen Chee; Thomas Ventura; Krystal Shon; Cindy Aban; Remi T.; Rodney Nakashima and Amanda Ybanez (Aikea); Greg Uyematsu and Michelle Cabalse (Kiewit); Josh O.; Franz D. Juan (FilCom); videographer (DVDmodo); and Uyen Vong (Neighborhood Commission Office).

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND GUESTS:** Board members and guests introduced themselves.

**FILLING OF VACANT BOARD SEATS:** Community member Marcella Granquist offered to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 1, and gave a self-introduction. Neighborhood Assistant Uyen Vong verified Granquist's residency.

**Nominated by Yakowenko, Granquist was APPOINTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 1, 14-0-0 (AYE:** Andrade, Burke, Chun, Duhaylonsod, Herolaga, Jiang, Macha, Oshiro, Parayno, Saniatan, Tsugawa, Villanueva, Wheatley, and Yakowenko; **NAY:** None; **ABSTAIN:** None).

Vong issued the Oath of Office to Granquist. **15 Board members were present.**

Since there were no interested volunteers for Subdistrict 2, the filling of the vacancy was deferred to the next meeting.

#### **FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS:**

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** – Firefighter Kawika Harbottle reported the following:

- **March 2015 Statistics:** There were 5 structure fires, 8 wildland fires, 1 rubbish fire, and 3 vehicle fires. There were 187 medical emergencies and 117 miscellaneous emergencies.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** The public is encouraged to call 911 in emergencies. Do not drive to the nearest fire station. It is possible that the fire company may not be at the fire station due to other emergencies or performing other duties such as fire inspections, training, and educational activities. When 911 is called, the operator dispatches the closest available fire company to the emergency. When calling 911, give the operator the initial need (police, fire, or ambulance) and after being transferred to the appropriate agency, provide an accurate description of the need and address of the emergency.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD)** – Major Dagan Tsuchida introduced himself as the new Major assigned to the Pearl City Police Station. Lieutenant Aaron Farias reported the following:

- **March 2015 Crime Statistics:** There were 22 motor vehicle thefts, 21 burglaries, 60 thefts, and 36 unauthorized entries of motor vehicles. There were 6,351 total calls for service. HPD had made significant arrests and the statistics will be lowered than in March 2015.

- Safety Tip: Ensure that car doors are locked either manually or visually.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Accident on H-1 Freeway: Tsugawa asked about traffic coordination after a recent accident that occurred on the H-1 Freeway. Lieutenant Farias explained that the fatality that occurred yesterday, Wednesday, April 22, 2015, was intentional, and that the vehicles in question most likely belong to HPD investigators. Tsugawa asked if HPD would be able to move the vehicles to the side so that the lane remains open. Lieutenant Farias noted that one of HPD's priorities after an accident occurs is to reopen the lane as soon as possible without compromising the investigation.
2. On-Street Drinking: Wheatley reported incidences of on-street drinking, and asked HPD to drive by the area. Lieutenant Farias will follow up.
3. Commendation: Chair Saniatan thanked Major Tsuchida and Officer Ke Alii Makanani for following up on his complaint made on [www.honoluluupd.org](http://www.honoluluupd.org) that was resolved within two (2) days. Lieutenant Farias encouraged the public to use the website.

Weed and Seed Program – Officer Kaipo Paiva circulated handouts and reported the following:

- Neighborhood Security Watch: The community is welcomed to form their own neighborhood security watch group. Contact the community policing team at 723-8863 or on [www.honoluluupd.org](http://www.honoluluupd.org).
- Kupuna Fair: The public is welcomed to attend the Kupuna Fair held on Friday, August 28, 2015.
- Leeward Community College Play: Leeward Community College is holding a play; a flyer is available at the table.
- Website: Visit [www.honoluluupd.org](http://www.honoluluupd.org) to report non-emergency concerns to HPD.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Robbery: Community member Aileen Chee reported a robbery near the Waipahu Transit Center, and commented that HPD does not patrol that area. Officer Paiva replied that HPD patrols the area, but residents should be reporting the crime when it occurs. Concerned residents can contact the community policing team at 723-8863.
2. Stolen Catalytic Converters: Community member Krystal Shon reported that her catalytic converter was stolen, and asked about protocols when catalytic converters are brought to recycling centers. Officer Paiva replied that identification must be verified when someone recycles a catalytic converter. Chair Saniatan noted that the seller must also present a notarized form.

Military Services – Major Amanda Shumaker reported the following:

- Leilehua Concert Series: The public is welcome to attend the Leilehua Concert Series at the Leilehua Golf Course on Friday, April 23, 2015, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Food and drinks are available for purchase. For more information, call 655-1711.
- Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony: The US Army Garrison-Hawaii will be holding its annual Installation Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony on Monday, May 25, 2015, 10:00 a.m. at the Schofield Barracks Post Cemetery. The public is invited to join in honoring Army veterans, as well as members of the sister services who served and died. Visitors should enter Schofield via Lyman Gate, off Kunia Road, and provide current ID, registration, insurance, and safety check. For more information, call 656-3159.
- Helicopter Hotline: Complaints about noise or dust from Army helicopter activity should be reported to the garrison helicopter complaint line at 656-3487. For other complaints, call the Army public affairs office at 656-3159.

Question followed: Height Restriction: Wheatley reported a low-flying helicopter near his apartment, and asked if there is a minimum flying height for helicopters. Major Shumaker will follow up.

RESIDENTS' AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- Waipahu Neighborhood Board: Community member Chee commented that she did not know where the Waipahu Neighborhood Board met until recently. Chee asked that there should be more awareness to let the public know the location and dates of the neighborhood board meetings. Chair Saniatan replied that the locations and dates of the neighborhood board meetings are published in MidWeek and the Sunday paper of the Star-Advertiser. Community member Shon added that there is inaccurate information regarding the meeting date for the Waipahu Neighborhood Board No. 22 on the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) website. Chair Saniatan asked and Neighborhood Assistant Uyen Vong confirmed that the website reflects the correct date. Burke noted that the public can access information about meeting location and dates of the Waipahu Neighborhood Board through a search on Google.

- Nicole Velasco: NCO Executive Secretary Nicole Velasco introduced herself. Velasco noted that she will be working at the Office of Economic Development (OED) starting next Friday, May 1, 2015. Velasco thanked many in attendance at tonight's meeting including Neighborhood Board Commissioner Richard Oshiro, area legislators and Mayor Caldwell's representative Ed Manglallan.

#### CITY REPORTS:

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Deputy Director of the City Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) Ed Manglallan reported the following:

- Proposed Operating Budget: The proposed \$2.3 billion budget for fiscal year 2016 by Mayor Caldwell will be going through third reading by the City Council Budget Committee next week. The operating budget is as follows: 19.86% for debt service, 11.13% for mass transit, 4.24% for culture-recreation, 4.09% for human services, 13.36% for sanitation, 1.25% for highways and streets, 19.09% for public safety, 8.27% for general services, and 18.7% for miscellaneous services. Mayor Caldwell's proposed budget includes \$110 million for road repaving, \$245 million for TheBus and TheHandi-Van, \$6.7 million for bus and rail integration and TOD, \$212 million for sewers, 18.2 million for parks, \$5.5 million for homelessness services, \$18 million for affordable housing, \$4 million for energy efficiency.
- Hybrid-Electric Buses: The City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) introduced Honolulu's first hybrid-electric bus and first mass casualty emergency ambulance-bus.
- Ala Moana Beach Park: Students from the University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Architecture briefed the press on their vision for Ala Moana Beach Park.
- Kahiwelo Neighborhood Park: Mayor Caldwell officially opened the new Kahiwelo Neighborhood Park. The park was donated by a developer.
- Hawaii Book and Music Festival: There will be a puppet show at the Hawaii Book and Music Festival on Friday-Saturday, May 1-2, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Frank F. Fasi civic grounds at Honolulu Hale. The puppet show will also be performed at the Waipahu Public Library on Thursday, May 28, 2015 from 10:30 p.m.
- Summer Fun Registration and Program: The Summer Fun program starts on Friday, June 12, 2015 and ends on Friday, July 24, 2015. Registration for District 1 and 2 will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. and Monday-Tuesday, May 18-19, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; registration for District 3 and 4 will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m., and Monday-Tuesday, May 11-12, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. More information can be found at [www.honoluluparks.com](http://www.honoluluparks.com).
- 88th Lei Day Celebration: Entries for the lei contest are accepted on Friday, May 1, 2015 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. For more information, contact 768-3299 or DPR at 373-8013.
- "Sew a Lei" for Memorial Day: The Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts (MOCA) is now accepting donations of ti leaves. MOCA's goal is to collect 1,000 lei la'i.
- Age-Friendly City Initiative: The action plan for the Age-Friendly City Initiative is available at [www.kupunatokeiki.com](http://www.kupunatokeiki.com). Written comments can be submitted by Friday, April 24, 2015.
- Ala Moana Beach Park Comfort Station: The City is piloting a new design with more safety features which is less expensive to build and maintain.
- Homeless Individual: The City Office of Housing has requested homeless service providers to provide outreach services to the homeless individual walking around Waipahu. The homeless individual was previously reported by Herolaga. Waikiki Health Center's Care-A-Van will provide services, assess housing and health needs, and provide shelter at Next Step if this individual would like access to their shelter services. Contact 768-4303 with additional questions.
- Street Light on on H-1 Freeway Exit Ramp: Tsugawa reported at a previous Board meeting that the street light on the H-1 Freeway exit ramp is missing. The issue is under State jurisdiction. The City Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) has contacted the State Department of Transportation (HDOT).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. King Street Bike Lane: Oshiro requested the City to adjust the start of the King Street bike lane near the transit center so that traffic is not congested near the area. Manglallan will follow up.
2. 1010 Richard Street: Wheatley asked if the dilapidated building at 1010 Richard Street could be converted for low-income housing.
3. Kunia Shopping Center Parking Lot: Andrade thanked Manglallan for recognizing the concrete barriers issue at the parking lot issue in Kunia Shopping Center. Chair Saniatan noted that the issue has been reported to HPD.
4. Filipino United Visayan Hall: Herolaga reported bad odor in the Filipino United Visayan Hall. Manglallan will follow up.

5. Bus Transit Station: Herolaga requested a “Do Not Block Intersection” sign to be placed near the Waipahu bus transit station. Duhaylonsod commented that the bus should not stop at the bus stop near the traffic light on Mokuola Street because it does not allow enough room for drivers to turn left at the intersection.

Governor David Ige’s Representative – No representative was available; no report was given.

Councilmember Ron Menor – Councilmember Menor circulated newsletters and reported the following:

- City Operating Budget: \$500,000 is included in the current version of the City operating budget proposal for the Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park (CORP). \$100,000 will be allocated for a dog-obedience training facility and \$100,000 will be allocated for park expansion. Mayor Caldwell will be releasing funds that was included in the 2013 City operating budget, however there was a “technical glitch” so the funds will now be released under the 2016 City operating budget.
- Traffic Improvements: DTS Director Mike Formby will follow up on Councilmember Menor’s request for traffic calming measures on Honowai Street near Honowai Elementary School.
- Resolution 15-105: Introduced by Council Chair Ernie Martin by request of DTS, Resolution 15-105 will authorize DTS to accept and expend federal funds for road improvements in Village Park. 80% of the \$360,000 for preliminary engineering cost will be covered by federal funds. A meeting will be arranged to explain to Board members and interested individuals about the resolution. Copies of the resolution will be provided to Board members.

Councilmember Brandon Elefante – Councilmember Elefante circulated newsletters and reported the following:

- Earth Day: With DFM’s and ENV’s assistance, volunteers collected over 17 truckloads of debris along Pearl Harbor historic trail.
- District Police and Fire Stations: Councilmember Elefante toured district police and fire stations.
- Permitted Interaction Group (PIG): A PIG was formed to meet with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in Washington, DC to discuss rail finances. The PIG report was circulated.
- Red Hill Storage Facility: 27,000 gallons of fuel spilled in January 2014. The water source at Halawa Shaft supplies 25% of the water on Oahu. The City Council adopted a resolution to urge the Navy and the State Department of Health (DOH) to finalize an administrative order of consent that will require the Navy to take action. Councilmember Elefante will follow up with more information.
- Hiapo Street and Managers Drive: DTS determined that the intersection at Hiapo Street and Managers Drive does not warrant a stop sign or traffic signal. However, DTS is working on a plan to reduce speeding cars in the area.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Conflict of Interest: Burke commented that Councilmembers with conflicts of interest in the Zoning Committee should recuse themselves from voting in favor of legislation relating to the Ho’opili development project. Councilmember Elefante replied that Councilmembers have the option of filing a financial disclosure report with the City Clerk’s Office. Councilmember Elefante noted that Councilmembers are allowed to vote and may recuse themselves if necessary. Councilmember Elefante noted that he has the most financial disclosures.
2. Red Hill Fuel Spill: Community member Krystal Shon asked if the Board of Water Supply (BWS) is conducting additional water testing in regards to the Red Hill fuel spill. Councilmember Elefante replied that the Navy has drilled monitoring wells to the north of the facility, and the BWS has attended every Red Hill task force and City Council meeting. Tsugawa asked if there was any consideration of closing the facility, and what the impact would be. Councilmember Elefante likened the Red Hill storage facility to an old vehicle in terms of maintenance issues.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – No report was provided and no representative was available.

Honolulu Rail Transit Project – Pat Lee noted that HART will be presenting at a later time.

Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park (CORP)/Waipio Soccer Complex – Burke reported the following summary from the Patsy T. Mink CORP Advisory Committee meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015:

- Dog Obedience Facility: Mayor Caldwell released funds to plan and design a dog obedience facility, but the action came too late to allow the process to move forward.
- Bill 75 (2014): Bill 75 (2014), relating to parks, passed second reading and third reading. It is up to Mayor Caldwell to establish the funds for CORP. The administration supports special funds for parks.
- Bill 32 (2015): Bill 32 (2015), which includes \$500,000 to add to CORP’s operating budget, passed second reading on Wednesday, April 22, 2015.

- Bill 40 (2015): Council Chair Ernie Martin introduced Bill 40 (2015), relating to establishing a separate fund for the Waipio Peninsula Soccer Facility, passed second reading on Wednesday, April 22, 2015.
- Hans L'Orange Neighborhood Park: There is no update regarding Hans L'Orange Neighborhood Park.

Waipahu Community Foundation (WCF) – Burke reported that application packets for WCF are available from Waipahu High School or can be downloaded at the Bank of Hawaii (BOH) website.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO), Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC): Kalaikai was not present at the Board meeting to give his report.

#### BOARD BUSINESS:

Approval of March 19, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: **The March 19, 2015 regular meeting minutes were APPROVED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 15-0-0 (AYE: Andrade, Burke, Chun, Duhaylonsod, Granquist, Herolaga, Jiang, Macha, Oshiro, Parayno, Saniatan, Tsugawa, Villanueva, Wheatley, and Yakowenko; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Treasurer's Report: Vice Chair Chun read the treasurer's report and noted expenditures of \$18.40 for printing and postage, leaving a balance of \$266.51. The report was filed.

Chair's Report: Chair Saniatan reported that the ballots for the neighborhood board elections will be mailed tomorrow; the voting period ends on Friday, May 15, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was scheduled nor discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business was scheduled nor discussed.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

Rail Update: Dan Grabauskas, Executive Director of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) reported the following:

- HART Staff: HART and Kiewit staff are in attendance at tonight's meeting to help with the HART presentation.
- Rail Update: One of the milestones for the project is that three (3) miles of guideway will be completed within two (2) weeks. Near the H-1 and H-2 merge, construction will be done using a "balanced cantilever" which is a method of construction that builds from the center outward. The West Oahu/Farrington segment is approximately 62% complete, and the rail operations center is 68% complete. Delivery of the first rail car should arrive in Hawaii by the end of 2015.

Scott Ishikawa from HART presented the following:

- Employment: Once the rail is completed, areas near the stations will be major employment centers which will benefit the Waipahu area.
- Traffic Safety: Lane closures are implemented for the safety of the drivers and the construction workers.
- Farrington Highway Detour: Eastbound and westbound lanes are open during the daytime. The column and guideway work will be done at night. HART contractors will be working with HDOT to create a traffic plan to build a guideway over the overpass.
- Utility Relocation: Relocation of the underground utilities will be done from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. which is less impactful to the community.
- Drill Shafts: HART is using drill shafts to put in underground foundation for the columns. When possible, the foundations will be located where the medians are currently located.
- Balanced Cantilever: The balanced cantilever technique, which is to alternate construction from one side to the other side, has been used on the US mainland to build bridges.
- Pearl City Road Closures: One (1) left-turn lane and one (1) straight-through lane will be closed on Kamehameha Highway in the Pearl Highlands area in Pearl City. Similar lane closures are implemented near Waimano Home Road. HART has been working with DTS to decrease traffic in the area.
- Night Work in Pearl City: West-bound lanes will be closed from 8:00 p.m.; similar lane closures are implemented in Aiea with east-bound lanes closing from 7:00 p.m.
- Airport Area: Underground utilities will be relocated near Radford and Center Drives in the airport area. Column and guideway work will be under construction in 2016.

- **Contact Information:** Interested individuals can visit [www.honolulutransit.org](http://www.honolulutransit.org) or sign up for an e-blast on the website. The number for the 24-hour project hotline is 566-2299. Inquiries can also be made to [info@honolulutransit.org](mailto:info@honolulutransit.org).

Grabaukas noted that [www.goakamai.com](http://www.goakamai.com) is a great resource for real-time traffic updates. Grabaukas reiterated the importance of traffic safety, and noted that residents or businesses who would like to request traffic adjustments can call the project hotline.

Chair Saniatan requested that each board member ask only one (1) question. Questions from community members will follow after the Board asked their questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Traffic:** Andrade reported that on the day that there were two (2) major traffic accidents on the freeway, there was a worker who was delaying traffic on Farrington Highway and Waipahu Street. Andrade commented that she had previously asked HART to delay the start time of the construction to 8:00 a.m. since it may prevent students from getting to school on time. Greg Uyematsu, project manager from Kiewit, replied that he will take note of Andrade's concerns about the traffic accidents. Herolaga reiterated Andrade's concern about the construction start time at 7:00 a.m. Grabaukas noted that this issue will be discussed by HART at a later time.
2. **Fort Weaver Road:** Macha asked for a timeframe for the construction work on Fort Weaver Road. Grabaukas replied that the balanced cantilever work near the H-1 and H-2 merge will be completed by the end of 2015 or early 2016, and construction work near Fort Weaver Road will be completed in the late summer of 2015.
3. **Structural Deficiencies:** Burke commented that there seems to be structural deficiencies in the castings, and is skeptical that this is an expected part of the construction process. Burke noted that this would not be acceptable in the construction of a house. Grabaukas explained that the defects were on the exterior, and that Kiewit self-reported the mistake. Grabaukas noted that Kiewit is repairing the mistake with their own funds. Grabaukas also noted that mistakes can happen during the construction period, but the final product will not contain mistakes. Oshiro commented that the response given by HART about the column defects made HART look like they were being elusive. Grabaukas noted that he has no control of the media, and that over 1,500 to 1,600 segments have been erected, and only four (4) segments had problems.
4. **Pearl Highlands Station:** Tsugawa commented that the parking facility near the upcoming Pearl Highlands Station will contribute significantly to the increase of traffic. Grabaukas explained that HART had foreseen an increase in traffic due to the parking facility and that there will be a dedicated off-ramp for the station. Grabaukas noted that a map of the proposed off-ramp into the Pearl Highlands Station can be provided at the next Board meeting. Darin Mar, Deputy Director of HART's traffic engineering division, explained that the H-2 north-bound ramp will continue into the parking structure at the ground level, and there will be another ramp that will feed into the third floor of the parking structure.
5. **Balanced Cantilever:** Parayno commented that the height of the lowest point of the balanced cantilever is low, and asked what the distance is between the ground level and the lowest point of the balanced cantilever. Mar explained that the minimum height required for a bridge over the highway is 16.6 feet.
6. **Pearl City:** Yakowenko asked if HART or Kiewit can assist in mitigating a traffic situation on Waimano Home Road where the intersection is sometimes blocked. Grabaukas explained that HART will request HPD to monitor the traffic in key locations. Grabaukas noted that HART, DTS and HDOT meet every Friday to talk about traffic. Mar noted that the signage at the aforementioned intersection was modified to state "no right turn on red" to mitigate traffic.
7. **TheBus:** Wheatley reported that buses cannot properly follow its routes due to a protrusion into Zippy's and out of Don Quijote. Wheatley suggested that the protrusion can be removed very easily. Grabaukas took note of Wheatley's suggestion.
8. **Rail Repair Noise:** Community member Shon asked about the noise level at the rail operations center. Grabaukas noted that the rail will be moving into the rail operations center at a low speed, and that repair work will be done inside the building. Grabaukas noted that the building is the length and width of a football field.
9. **Rail Noise:** Community member Chee asked about the noise level when the rail is in operation, and commented that she visited a website called [www.honolulutraffic.com](http://www.honolulutraffic.com) that showed examples of how metal on metal will sound like; Chee stated that it was loud. Grabaukas noted that the website was created by opponents of the rail project. Grabaukas explained that the rail is elevated, there are three (3) sound walls, and that the rail will run on electricity. There are applications on the rail that will dispense lubricant to reduce sound. Hawaii does not experience extreme temperatures as other cities, so temperature will have little effect on bending the wheels of the rail. If the wheel is not perfectly shaped for the wheel head, then the wheel will be sharpened as it goes through the rail truing building.

10. Traffic Concerns: Community member Cindy Aban commented that due to the rail construction project, there is a ripple effect with traffic going into town for healthcare workers who live on the west side of Oahu. Aban asked for a real-time traffic update. Grabaukas explained that one of the reasons why the rail project is being built is because of heavy traffic from the west side of Oahu. Grabaukas recommended Aban to visit [www.goakamai.com](http://www.goakamai.com) to get real-time traffic updates.
11. Completion of Project: Ewa community member Josh asked how much of the rail project is completed. Grabaukas explained that the rail project is 20 miles along, and that 62% is completed in the first ten miles of the project. The bid has just been open for bid from Aloha Stadium to Middle Street. The final 4.5 miles will be open for bid in August 2015. Chair Saniatan reminded the community member that only one question can be asked per person, and that Grabaukas can answer the community member's questions after the meeting. The community member asked if his questions after the meeting will be reflected in the minutes. Chair Saniatan explained that there are pending items on the agenda and asked Grabaukas to stay after the meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Chair Saniatan asked representatives of all elected officials to stand on their reports.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Traffic Update Website: Wheatley recommended everyone to visit [www.goakamai.com](http://www.goakamai.com) for traffic updates.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant I  
Reviewed by: Risé Doi, Neighborhood Assistant I  
Finalized by: Rito Saniatan, Chair