



## MILILANI/ WAIPIO/ MELEMANU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 25

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### **DRAFT- REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2015** **MILILANI RECREATION CENTER III**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Dick Poirier called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m., with a quorum of **16 members present**. Note: This 23 member Board requires 12 members to establish quorum and to take official Board action. Chair Poirier led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Pauline Arellano, William “Bill” Bass, Michael Dau, Ann Freed, Corinne Gallardo-Mata, Marilyn Lee arrived at 8:12 p.m.), Karen Loomis, Trevor Nagamine (arrived at 8:29 p.m.), John Norris (arrived at 7:46 p.m.), Dick Poirier, Charlie Remington, Carole Siegel, Douglas Thomas, and Dane Wicker.

**Members Absent:** Danielle Bass, B. Pua Iuli, Rodney Park, Dane Wicker and Alvin Wong.

**Guests:** Kilihune Kamaka, Paul Manligot and Jaycie Okata (Hawaii Pacific University Nursing); Shelly Nakasone (Mililani Mauka Neighborhood Board No.35), Captain Paul Fukuda (Honolulu Fire Department), Major Anthony Williams Major Anthony Williams, Captain Heba Bullock, CW5 Stephen Lodge (U.S. Army); Kanani Castro (Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang’s office staff), Bruce Bennett, D. Perry, Pauline Ras, Elise Carmody, Joshua Ching (Tracy Kubota (Mayor Kirk Caldwell’s Representative), Nathan Takasau, Joyce Griffin, Captain Richard Barker (Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield), Councilmember Ron Menor, Robert Stanfield (Department of Planning and Permitting, Branch Chief Planner VII), Lieutenant Serrao and Sergeant Walters (Honolulu Police Department-District 2-Wahaiawa); JR Guileb (Video recorder) and Nola J. Frank (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

**Filling of Vacancies:** There are no vacancies.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 26, 2014:** **Without objections the November 26, 2014 regular meeting minutes were APPROVED as amended by UNANIMOUS CONSENT.** Amendment:

- Page 1, Guests should read, “...**Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang**...”
- Page 3, Utility Interconnection “... Delete ‘The existing pole will be replaced with a taller 15 foot pole.’ Should read, “**The panels will connect to a 46-kV electric line. One (1) existing pole will be replaced and six (6) new poles at approximately 58 feet in height above grade will be installed. Mr. Smith presented renderings of the new poles to show visual impact**”...

### **COMMUNITY FORUM:**

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD):** Captain Paul Fukuda reported the following:

**December 2014 Statistics:** There were 3 structure, 1 wildland and 5 rubbish fires, 13 activated alarms, 71 medical, 5 search and rescue, and miscellaneous calls for service.

**Fire Safety Tip:** Purchase a microwave oven that has an independent testing laboratory label. Complete and return the product registration card to ensure the manufacturer will be able to notify you in the event of a product recall. Always supervise children when they are using a microwave oven and use only microwave oven. Use only microwaveable safe food containers or dishes; never use aluminum foil or metal. If the microwave oven catches fire, keep the door closed, turn it off, and unplug it from the wall receptacle. If the fire does not extinguish, go outside and call 911.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD):** Lieutenant (Lt.) Mike Serrao introduced Sergeant (Sgt.) Walters of the Community Policing Team, and reported the following:

- **Monthly Statistics:** Visit [www.honolulu.org](http://www.honolulu.org) for detailed monthly statistics.

- Trend: Unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV) are on an increase due to being crimes of opportunity. Lt. Serrao noted a group of people have been identified. Everyone was reminded to lock the car doors.
- HPD Safety Tip: Sgt. Walters reported that there has been an increase in pedestrian accidents. Plain clothes officers are working with officers on duty enforcing crossing violations, such as jaywalking and motorists failing to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. It was advised to never enter a crosswalk when the red hand is flashing.
- Everyone was encouraged to wear bright/light colored clothing. Cross the street in a well-lit area at night and always walk on the sidewalk. Be sure to make eye contact with the driver when crossing the street. Pedestrian safety tip brochures in seven (7) languages were provided.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Remarks: Freed commented about remarks made by Captain Vance regarding sex assault victims. Concern was raised that HPD continues to blame and re-victimizes sex assault victims.
2. Crosswalk Law: Sgt. Walters answered for Gustafson that if driving northbound vehicles should yield to all pedestrians. Sgt. Walters answered for Remington that if a pedestrian is walking towards the car and a median divides the roadway, it is safe to go until the pedestrian reaches the median.
3. Enforcement: Sgt. Walters answered for Svrcina that plain clothes officers are working with officers on duty.
4. Mahalo: Arellano thanked HPD district officers for responding to boats parked too close to private driveways on the street. Arellano added that the boats make it unsafe for people exiting their driveways.

Military, Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division: Captain Heba Bullock reported the following:

- 8th Theater Sustainment Command: Currently there are approximately 229 personnel from six (6) different units/detachments deployed in support of overseas contingency operations and off-island missions.
- Noise and Dust Complaints: Call the noise concern hotline at 656-3487 and leave a voicemail to include name, contact information, location, date, time and details.
- Nisei Soldiers Featured in New Exhibit at Army Museum: "America's Secret Weapon" new exhibit has opened at the U.S. Army Museum of Hawaii located in Waikiki.
- Tree Trimming: Tree removal and pruning around the Leilehua Golf course East range or surrounding area will occur through late May 2015. For more information contact the Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs at 656-3158/3159/3016.
- Photos: Captain Barker announced that photos of Board members from the November 2014 tour were available.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Honolulu Rail Project (HRP): Scott Ishikawa will provide a full presentation next month.

Other Community Concerns:

- Public Review Draft Central O`ahu Communities Plan: Bob Stanfield of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) distributed copies of the plan and reported the following: The draft provides proposed revisions to the 2002 Central O`ahu Sustainable Communities Plan (SCP). Comment deadline is Friday, March 13, 2015. Comments will be accepted after March 13, 2015, but may be inventoried and used in preparing the Plan Review Report. Final recommendations are scheduled to be sent to the Planning Commission in late June 2015. After the plan goes to the Planning Commission, there will be several more opportunities to suggest changes to the Plan. The City Council will make the decision on what changes will be approved in revising the Central O`ahu Sustainable Communities Plan.
- Public Workshop: A public workshop will be held on Saturday, February 14, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Mililani Mauka Elementary School.

Board Recognition Certificate: Captain Richard Barker, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade: Lei and a certificate of recognition was presented to Captain Richard Barker of the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade for representing the Army with monthly reports to the Board for the past two (2) years. It was noted that Captain Heba Bullock will be replacing Captain Barker.

Announcement: Chair Poirier announced that Neighborhood Board election applications were circulated and on the back table or can be done online at the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) website.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Wheeler Army Airfield Operations Update: CWS Stephen Lodge Master Gunnery 25<sup>th</sup> Combat Aviation Brigade with the assistance of Major Anthony Williams highlighted the following: Task organization, Black Hawks operations, Marine gray aircrafts and aircrafts used by the Hawaii Air National Guard. A map was showed indicating flight patterns such as the east arrival and departure procedures, departures from the Kunia Golf course to Harbor view south and the H-1 eastbound. Also shown on the map was the northern arrivals and departures. It was reiterated to call the Noise Complaint line at 656-3487 with any concerns.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Flights Cut-off Time: CWS Lodge answered for Freed that open flight times are 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. However, aircrafts continue to fly past that time.

Solutions to Homelessness on O`ahu: A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Bill 75 CD1 (2014), Relating to a Regional Park Fund: Shelly Nakasone, Advisory Committee member of the Patsy. T. Mink Central O`ahu Regional Park ask Board support for Bill 75, relating to a regional park fund. Nakasone noted that fees for various facilities goes into the City's general fund. Ground staff takes care of the maintenance. However, under developed areas encourages loitering. A park fund was established and passed second reading today. It was noted that Neighborhood Boards 35 (Mililani-Mauka) and 22 (Waipahu) supports the resolution.

Board member Marilyn Lee arrived at 8:12 p.m.; **18 members present.**

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Number of Parks: Nakasone answered for Remington that the resolution pertains to one (1) of the three (3) parks.

#### REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Governor David Ige's Representative: A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Tracy Kubota reported the following:

- City News: Copies of the City News were circulated, highlighting Mayor Kirk Caldwell's priorities year-end review.
- The Honolulu Zoo: The Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts and the Honolulu Zoo are asking for donations of lāi (ti leaf) to help repair the hale lāi. Once used for cultural and community events at the Honolulu Zoo, the thatched roof of the hale lāi has fallen into a state of disrepair over the years due to nature's elements. The Zoo wishes to bring this structure back to its original state so it can once again be used to benefit the community.

Questions comments and concerns followed:

1. Signs: Arellano request 'no parking' signs for Keaooopua Street.
2. Uprooted Trees and Sidewalks: Reported on Lanikuhana Avenue.
3. Branches on Sidewalk: Thomas will provide Kubota with the location.
4. Status of the District Park Lights: Gustafson reported three (3) spot lights, second to the tower are leaning in the opposite direction and facing the homes. Chair Poirier asked that all lights at the tennis courts be checked due to some lights buzzing and bulbs out on the others.
5. Mililani Mauka Park and Ride: Nagamine asked and Kubota will follow up regarding the restriping of the park and ride.

Councilmember Ron Menor: Councilmember Ron Menor circulated the monthly report and highlighted the following:

- Resolution: One (1) resolution for 2015 is to continue doing the best to represent the community and respond to whatever concerns arise.
- Priorities: The budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-2016 will be reviewed in the coming months. The mayor is expected to submit his proposed budget to the Council in early March. The budget will be reviewed by the Council and approve a balanced budget by mid-June.
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP): Contact Councilmember Menor with CIP suggestions or community project for funding as soon as possible.
- Homeless and Affordable Housing: As chair of the newly created Public, Health, Safety and Welfare Committee (PHSW), Councilmember Menor looks forward to continue working on affordable housing issues. Resolution 14-205 addresses improving the City's affordable housing policy. Resolution 14-200, would permit Accessory Dwelling Units by amending the existing "ohana" dwelling ordinance where

occupancy is currently restricted to blood, marriage and adoption. A third resolution introduced urges the City administration to develop low income affordable housing using shipping containers.

- Meheula Parkway Press Conference: Joined Mayor Caldwell at the press conference and noted the remaining work involves final striping on Meheula Parkway.
- Bill 75 (2014) CD1: Approved on Second Reading by the City Council at today's meeting, Bill 75 (2014) CD1 creates a Patsy T. Mink Central O`ahu Regional Park (CORP) fund.
- Resolution 14-300 CD1: The resolution was also adopted, which extends the student free-based U-PASS project for the 2015 September spring semester. The program provides bus passes to all enrolled University of Hawaii Manoa students for \$30 per semester under a Memorandum of Agreement between the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) and the University of Hawaii.
- Community Concerns Update: Concerns received include drainage at Waia Loop and Kipapa Drive, and traffic hazard at Kuahelani Avenue and Meheula Parkway.
- Revised Central O`ahu Plan Available for Review: The deadline to submit comments to the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) is accepting public comments on draft changes to the Central O`ahu Sustainable Communities Plan is Friday, March 13, 2015.
- Keep Hawaii's Heroes: The City Council passed a resolution to Keep Hawaii's Heroes today.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Affordable Housing: Freed expressed concern about changes to the formula of what is defined as affordable housing. Freed stated that there is no regarding affordable rentals.
2. Shipping Containers: Freed agreed with the shipping containers for housing idea, asked if micro-housing has been explored. In response,
3. General Excise Tax (GET) Increase: Lee supports the Mayor on the proposed 25 %increase. Councilmember Menor is not is support at time, noting that more details are needed. The issue is troublesome, because the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) could be more specific regarding the financial plan. Concern was also raised that the State keep 10% of the funds, which should all be utilized to fund the rail. There are many unanswered questions, and the Legislature need to ask more questions. Lee noted that the legislature intends to keep the 10%.
4. Mililani Repaving: Remington asking if the repaving is completed. Concern was raised regarding Kamehameha Highway and Lanikuhana Avenue northbound right turn. Remington stated that the situation is getting worse and that the problems have not been addressed in a long time.
5. Trash Pick/United Public Workers (UPW): Arellano mentioned that UPW is suing the City and noted that it would be cheaper for the City to purchase new trash pick-up trucks. In answer, a letter was sent to the Mayor in October 2014 asking that the termination of the trash pick-up trucks be postponed. In January 2015 correspondence was sent to the Department of Environmental Services (ENV) pointing out the lawsuit and asking for a one (1) year postponement. In court today, UPW petitioned for a temporary restraining order (TRO), and if granted the City must continue with the service. Freed noted that her condominium association and others have contracted private trash companies.

Senator Michelle Kidani: Trevor Nagamine circulated a report and highlighted the following:

1. Introduction of Bills: Deadline to submit bills to be introduced is Thursday, January 29, 2015 with hearings to follow.
2. Education Committee Meeting: The meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 2, 2015 to discuss SB 394, information relating to vaccines provided by the Department of Education (DOE); SB 819, funding for schools; and SB844, establishing a pre-kindergarten program.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Keep Hawaii's Heroes Petition Deadline: Nagamine answered for Thomas that the deadline had past.
2. Comment: Lee commended Senator Kidani for bringing up bills and appreciates the Senator's continued efforts.

Representative Ryan Yamane: A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang: Kanani Castro circulated a report and was available to entertain questions.

Representative Lauren Matsumoto: A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Remington reported expenditures of \$27.95, leaving a balance of \$356.83. The report was filed.

Civil Defense/Military: Keep Hawaii's Heroes, January 28, 2015 Listening Session at Leilehua High School Update from Board member D. Bass via text: Segura reported that three (3) Army officers from Washington D.C. and General Flynn of Schofield are in attendance. The meeting room was filled since 6:30 p.m., with approximately 60% of the audience opposing the proposal to downsize the Army. Lee noted testifying tonight and that about 40% were in opposition when she was at the meeting.

There were no other Committee Reports.

Chair: Chair Poirier reported the following: Scott Ishikawa will do a full HART presentation at the February 2015 Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution Regarding Bill 75 (2014) Relating to a Regional Park Fund: **Dau moved and Siegel seconded be it resolved that Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25 supports the intent and purpose of Bill 75 (2014) and encourages its enactment and implementation. The motion was ADOPTED 17-1-0 (Aye: Arellano, B. Bass, Dau Freed, Gallardo-Mata, Gustafson, Kawakami, Loomis, Marshall, Nagamine, Norris, Poirier, Remington, Segura, Siegel, Svrčina, and Thomas); Nay: Lee; Abstain 0)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Book Sale: Lee reported that the Friends of Mililani Library book sale will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Next Meeting: The next Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu Neighborhood Board 25 meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at the Mililani Recreation Center III at 7:30 p.m.
- Broadcasts: Broadcasts of Board meetings are scheduled to be show on `Olelo Channel 49 every second Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and every first and third Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Submitted by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant  
Reviewed by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant  
Final Review by: Dick Poirier, Chair

Resolution Regarding Bill 75 (2014) Relating to a Regional Park Fund

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of Bill 75 2014) is to create a Patsy T. Mink Central O`ahu Regional Park (CORP) fund; and

**WHEREAS**, CORP is the City and County of Honolulu's flagship park and encompasses an aquatics center, a tennis complex, baseball fields, softball fields, multipurpose fields, an archery range, picnic and play structures, comfort stations, walking/jogging paths and other features; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park, which was dedicated in 2001, encompasses 269 acres, an area larger than the combined acreage of both Kapiolani Park and Ala Moana Regional Park; and

**WHEREAS**, CORP uniquely serves local athletes and community users by providing a safe environment to learn and develop skills and compete in both organized sporting events and passive recreation activities; and

**WHEREAS**, CORP is often utilized by collegiate teams and for numerous national and international tournaments, thus providing value-added benefits to County and State economies well beyond DORP's annual operations and maintenance costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the communities of Mililani, Waikele and Waipahu are home to many young families with children and youth who benefit from the open space and park facilities available to them at the Park which greatly contributes to their overall quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, planned developments in Central and West O`ahu make even more imperative the continued provision of first-rate recreational facilities to help insure quality-of-life for the area's growing population; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the CORP Advisory Committee as well as community and user groups have expressed increasing concerns regarding maintenance and facility update issues that are not adequately addressed because of the lack of funding; and

**WHEREAS**, establishing a discrete fund apart from the General Fund would provide a dedicated funding source to better insure proper maintenance and improvements to the Park; and

**WHEREAS**, all revenues generated from user fees and assessments, if any, generated by CORP activities would be deposited into the aforesaid fund in all monies thus deposited would be required to be expended, as appropriated, for the improvement, maintenance and repair of the Park; and

**WHEREAS**, as further provided in Proposed CD1, all appropriations from the CORP fund would supplement, and not supplant or decrease, any other City and County appropriations for the Park; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25 supports the intent and purpose of Bill 75 (2014) and encourages its enactment and implementation; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that copies of the Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor and the members of the City Council of the City and County of Honolulu; the City and County of Honolulu Directors of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, Design and Construction, Enterprise Services, and Parks and Recreation; area legislators; and the Chairs of Neighborhood Boards No. 23 (Ewa), 24 (Waianae Coast), 26 Wahiawa-Whitmore Village) 27 (North Shore), 34 Makakilo-Kapolei) and 35 (Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley).