



KAILUA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 31

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015 KAILUA RECREATION CENTER

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Chuck Prentiss called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. with a **quorum of 11 members present**. Note: This 19-member Board requires 10 members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Larry Bartley, Jon Chinen, Douglas Dudevoir, Michael Espenan, Tim Freeman, Bill Hicks (arrived at 9:22 p.m.), Vernon Hinsvark, Tony Locricchio, Teresa Parsons, Chuck Prentiss, Claudine Tomasa (arrived 7:13 p.m.), Donna Wong, and Jeff Zuckernick.

Board Members Absent: James "Skip" Byron, Matt Darnell, Levani Lipton, Ronald Weinberg, and Gary Weller.

Guests: Captain Michael Thomson (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Darryl Kon (Honolulu Police Department); Alenka Remec (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative); Councilmember Ikaika Anderson; Francisco Figueiredo (Councilmember Anderson's Office); Senator Laura Thielen; Representative Cynthia Thielen; Tiffany Patrick, Liz Feeney, and Peter O'Hare (Marine Corps Base Hawaii); Laurel Leslie (Windward Coalition); J. McCreedy (Save Kaneohe); Matt Miura (Cascadia PM); Matt Sutton; Fred White; Pete Meindertsma; Todd Hendricks; Trudy Moncrief; Raul Torres (Lanikai Triathlon); Lance Rice; Jennifer Rathjen; D. Pagalaboyd; Judy Fujimoto, Fuji Fujimoto; Barbara Green; Morag Gibson; Micah Pregitzer; Joanna Guard; Mary Piette; Ed Kemper (Friends of Kailua High School and Epilepsy Foundation of Hawaii); Kahu Ricky Bermudez; Stann W. Reiziss; Glenn Uyeshiro; Erik Horn; Joseph A. Gilman; Dennis Rice; David Amodo (DVDmodo); and Uyen Vong (Neighborhood Commission Office).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Kailua Town Party:** Chair Prentiss announced that the Kailua Town Party will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2015. Tomasa will coordinate a booth for the Kailua Neighborhood Board in which the public will be invited to talk to Kailua Neighborhood Board candidates running in the upcoming election. Volunteers who wish to help with organizing the event may contact Tomasa.
- **Neighborhood Board Elections:** Chair Prentiss announced the following: Voting in the neighborhood board elections will begin on Friday, April 24, 2015 through Friday, May 15, 2015. Residents should not throw away mailed items from the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) during the election period as it may contain the passcode required for voting. There are currently 44 candidates in contested races in every subdistrict of the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31.

PUBLIC AGENCIES

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Michael Thomson reported the following:

- **March 2015 Fire Statistics:** There were 10 structure fires and 3 vehicle fires, 110 medical emergencies, 29 search and rescues, 30 miscellaneous emergencies, and 6 companies that responded to major incidents.
- **Cooking Safety Tips:** According to the National Fire Protection Association, more fires start in the kitchen than in any other place in the home. Two (2) out of five (5) fires start in the kitchen. Do not step away while cooking, avoid cooking in loose clothing, cook only when alert, and keep hot items away from the counter and table edges. If there is a fire, go outside and call 911; remain outside.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lieutenant Darryl Kon reported the following:

- **March 2015 Crime Statistics:** There were 16 motor vehicle thefts, 12 burglaries, 69 thefts, and 52 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV). More information about crime statistics is available at www.honolulu.org.
- **HPD Survey:** HPD is seeking public comments and suggestions to improve the policies and operations of HPD. Handouts are available at the meeting. Interested individuals can contact HPD at the Kailua Station for more information.

At 7:13 p.m., Tomasa arrived at the meeting; **12 members were present.**

- Know The Neighborhood: Suspicious activities or persons in the neighborhood should be reported to HPD. Residents can enter his or her address at www.honoluluupd.org to find out more information about his or her neighborhood.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Citations for Bicyclists: Espanan asked for an update to his question at the last Board meeting regarding bicyclists being allowed to ride on the sidewalks in Kailua. Lieutenant Kon noted that unless there are posted signs that prohibit bicycling on sidewalks, HPD will not cite the bicyclists. Lieutenant Kon also noted that there are posted signs in Waikiki, so HPD is allowed to take enforcement actions.
2. Target Store: Parsons noted that there has been an increase of vehicle traffic with the opening of the new Target store in Kailua, however there has been no increase of police presence or parking enforcement officers in the area. Lieutenant Kon replied that HPD is in contact with the Target security team, and due to budgetary reasons, HPD is unlikely to satisfy Parsons' request for increased HPD patrol in the area.
3. Citations for Bicyclists (Continued): Wong asked if enforcement is different in residential areas than in commercial areas. Lieutenant Kon reiterated that unless signs are posted, HPD cannot issue citations. Wong commented that tourists can be inattentive to the traffic on the road. Lieutenant Kon replied that HPD cannot be selective on the type of people that are issued citations, and noted that education can be improved to increase safety awareness for the public.
4. HPD Budget: Locricchio asked for a reevaluation of HPD's budget to take into consideration Kailua's growing population and increase in visitors. Locricchio gave an example of a kitesurfing company that was recently cited by HPD officers for their operations in the ocean. Locricchio commented that unless these types of companies are allowed to train people in ocean safety, then additional HPD staffing will be needed to ensure the safety of tourists and residents.
5. Speed Limit: Lanikai resident Dennis Rice commented that there have been many instances of speed limit violations; Rice asked how enforcement can be improved. Lieutenant Kon noted that a request can be made to the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) to install speed bumps, and that HPD would not be able to allocate staff to enforce traffic for 24 hours a day. Lieutenant Kon further noted that citations may not help in decreasing the number of fatalities.
6. Citations for Bicyclists (Continued): Resident Pete Meindersma commented that citations should be issued to bicyclists who are riding on the wrong side of the road. Freeman commented that HPD can enforce traffic laws during specific hours of the day.
7. HPD Budget (Continued): Zuckernick commented that Mayor Caldwell and the area councilmembers should be contacted to request more resources for public services in Kailua.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH): Tiffany Patrick reported the following:

- Weed Warriors: Interested individuals who would like to participate in Weed Warriors' volunteer event to remove invasive plants on Saturday, April 11, 2015 should sign up by Thursday, April 9, 2015 at 257-7000.
- Triathlons: There are two (2) upcoming triathlons: a keiki triathlon on Saturday, May 2, 2015 and an adult triathlon on Sunday, May 3, 2015. More information is available at www.mccshawaii.com.
- Job Fair: MCBH is participating in a job fair on Saturday, April 4, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at KEY Project Community Center. More information can be found on www.mccshawaii.com/career.
- Introductions: Liz Feeney is a new addition to the community relations staff at MCBH. Peter O'Hare is the coordinator for the 2015 Kaneohe Bay Air Show.

Kaneohe Bay Air Show: O'Hare reported the following: The 2015 Kaneohe Bay Air Show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 17-18, 2015. More information can be found at www.kaneohebayairshow.com, or on Facebook. Vendors who would like to participate in *Taste of Oahu* can contact O'Hare. For the first time, E.K. Fernandez will be part of the event.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Alenka Remec reported the following:

- 88th Lei Day Celebration: The City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will be accepting entries for the youth Hawaiian lei contest. The lei contest has been promoted at various schools.
- Summer Fun Registration and Program: The Summer Fun Program will run from Friday, June 12 through Friday, July 24, 2015. Registration will be starting in May 2015. More information can be found at www.honoluluparks.com.

- “Sew a Lei” for Memorial Day: The Mayor’s Office of Culture and the Arts (MOCA) is now collecting donations of ti-leafs for Memorial Day; donations can be dropped off at Honolulu Hale by Monday, May 18, 2015. MOCA’s goal is to collect 1,000 la’i lei.
- Project Graduation: HPD is now accepting grant applications for Project Graduation program. More information can be found at www.honolulu.gov.
- Neighborhood Board Elections: The voting period for the Neighborhood Board elections is from Friday, April 24, 2015 to Friday, May 15, 2015; ballots will be mailed out on Thursday, April 23, 2015. Candidate profiles are currently available online.
- Kailua Beach Park: The trees that were blown down during the high winds were removed by the Division of Urban Forestry. The parking area next to the boat ramp is designated parking for vehicles with trailers, and not for regular park users. This undeveloped area is also a natural drainage for the roadway and park. There are no plans to repair this undeveloped area.
- Rail Project: There are no plans to halt the rail project. To date, \$1.4 billion has been spent on the rail project and 60% of the construction contracts have been issued. By extending the half-percent general excise tax (GET) surcharge dedicated to the rail project beyond 2022, construction for the rail project will continue.
- February 2015 City Newsletter Clarification: Although the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) has not conducted a formal study, the “locally preferred alternative” approved by the City Council includes a planned extension to the University of Hawaii at Manoa (UH Manoa); many people have said that rail should extend to UH Manoa.
- DTS Stickers: DTS will follow up on the request to translate the crosswalk signal stickers into Japanese.
- Audible Countdown Timers at Crosswalks: The request to install audible countdown timers at crosswalks require support from the community. The downside to installing an audible countdown timer is that the timer will be on 24 hours a day.
- Restrooms at Kailua Beach Park: Reconstruction of the comfort station at Kailua Beach Park is currently in the design phase. The anticipated bid opening date for this project is August 2015.
- Illegal Vacation Rental on North Kalaheo Drive: The correct address of the illegal vacation rental on North Kalaheo Drive is 424 North Kahaleo Drive. An investigation by DPP was conducted on Thursday, January 29, 2015 which revealed the one-family detached dwelling being utilized as an illegal bed and breakfast operation. A Notice of Violation (NOV), File No. 2015/NOV-01-195 was issued to the property owner and has been referred as a recurring violation to the “Code Compliance Branch”.
- Kalama Beach Park Extension Hours: Director Michele Nekota of DPR will make the final decision on whether to extend the hours for Kalama Beach Park. Director Nekota is seeking advice on the condition of the purchase, deed, and other related factors before making a final decision.
- L’Orange Place: An investigation by DPP on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 revealed a male occupant who stated that he arrived on the property on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 from Las Vegas, Nevada, and is staying for three (3) weeks. When interviewed, the occupant stated that he is a cousin of the owner and is not paying to stay at the property. No violation was cited.
- Kapaa Quarry Industrial Park Violations: A grading permit, GP2015-02-0062, was issued to the owner, Kapaa III, LLC, in February 2015. It was an after-the-fact grading permit which addressed only a portion of the NOV issued in April 2014. Accordingly, a Notice of Order was issued in May 2014 for the outstanding NOV. DPP is reviewing another set of construction plans intended to address the remaining portion of the NOV.
- Age-Friendly City Initiative: Supported by Mayor Caldwell and AARP Hawaii, the City has been engaged in an effort called Honolulu’s Age-Friendly City Initiative. With leadership and input from a Steering Committee and a Citizens Advisory Committee of over 80 representatives from public and private sectors, a comprehensive action plan was created to transform Honolulu’s built environment and encourage social involvement and healthy aging. Public comments on the action plan can be submitted at www.kupunatokeiki.com, or by mail to the University of Hawaii, Center on Aging by Friday, April 24, 2015.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Kailua Beach Park Boat Ramp: Dudevoir commented that the person who requested to repair the parking lot near the boat ramp most likely was suggesting that DPR grade the parking lot.
2. Rail Project: Dudevoir clarified his question from the last Board meeting, and asked at what cost will the City decide if the rail project should be halted. Remec replied that with the City Council’s approval, construction will continue for the rail project, and there has been no discussion about when to decide if the project should be halted. Locricchio suggested Remec to remain at the meeting for the transportation presentation.

3. Kapaa Quarry Industrial Park: Wong asked for more specifics on the construction plans for Kapaa Quarry Industrial Park. Wong also requested a status update on the two (2) complaints against the owner. Remec will follow up.
4. Mangrove Clearance Project: Bartley asked for an update on the mangrove clearance project near the north side of the Pali Highway. Bartley noted that the State provided funding for the City to complete this project two (2) or three (3) years ago. Remec will follow up.
5. Parks Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs): Espanan asked how much of the funding for park CIPs is allocated to parks in Kailua. Espanan also asked for an update on specific details on the scope of repairs for the Kailua Beach Park comfort station. Remec explained that the budget is available online on the City's website.
6. Kailua Wastewater Plant: Chair Prentiss asked for an update on his request last month for more information about the Kailua Wastewater Plant. Remec will follow up.
7. Remediation Project: A resident reported that \$800,000 have been allocated from the State to the City on a remediation project, but there has not been any progress on the project. Remec will follow up.
8. Traffic Improvements: Resident Todd Hendricks commented that he had garnered the community's support for traffic calming improvements on Kihapai Street, but he has not been able to schedule a meeting with Mayor Caldwell. Remec replied that based on her notes and previous meeting minutes, DPR has responded that DPR did not commit to the project, but that it depended on funding availability. Remec will follow up on the request for a meeting with Mayor Caldwell.
9. Kailua Beach Park: A resident commented that Kailua Beach Park is in need of maintenance.

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

RESIDENTS' AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- Races in Kailua: Community resident Ed Kemper of Friends of Kailua High School and Epilepsy Foundation of Hawaii announced that the 2015 Freedom Run for Epilepsy is on Saturday, July 4, 2015, starting at Kailua High School, and the Kailua High 5K and 10K Run is on Sunday, November 8, 2015, starting at the same location. Kemper noted that his contact number is 225-2965. Chinen asked and Kemper replied that the Freedom Run will end before the start of the Kailua Fourth of July Parade.
- Lanikai Triathlon: Raul Torres announced that the Lanikai Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday, April 19, 2015. Torres noted his contact number is 223-2622.
- Beach Access Gates: A community member would like to request the help of the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 in petitioning the gating of the beach access points on Ka'apuni Drive. In the past 36 hours, 500 signatures were collected to oppose the gating of the beach accesses. The community member noted that many homes on Ka'apuni Drive are not owner-occupied, and that it is unfair that beach access is limited for local residents. The community member further noted that if the beach accesses were closed, then the next access point is 0.6 mile away, which would violate DPP's and DPR's regulation that beach access should be provided at most 0.5 miles apart. Chair Prentiss noted that the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 has been in support of open beach access, and deferred the issue to the Board's Parks Committee Chair Chinen. Bartley asked about previous motions in support of open beach access, and commented that the Board is not allowed to advise private property owners. Chair Prentiss stated that the Board previously voted in favor in terms of granting open beach access, not in terms of private property. Locricchio asked if there has been any attempt to seek condemnation of the gates; the community member was unsure. Locricchio suggested the community member to seek support from the community for condemnation of the gates.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Representative Cynthia Thielen: Representative Thielen circulated newsletters and presented the following: Buffer Zones: Buffer zones are areas that would restrict the use of pesticides near schools, homes, and hospitals. The counties of Maui and Kauai previously passed legislation to create buffer zones, but the State became involved after the chemical companies sued the counties. The Hawaii State House and Senate are now working on similar legislation to require disclosure of pesticide use or to create buffer zones. Representative Chris Lee introduced a measure to create buffer zones, but the measure did not pass out of the House Committee on Agriculture because its Chair did not support buffer zones, and did not want to hinder the work of the pesticide companies. The measure may be assigned to a conference committee. Representative Thielen's son and grandchildren lives in Kekaha, Kauai; they experience these pesticides in their backyard.

Question followed: Legislative Bill Numbers: Chair Prentiss asked and Representative Thielen replied that the measures are Senate Bill 1037, relating to the disclosure of pesticides use and House Bill 1514, relating to creating buffer zones around schools, homes, and hospitals.

Senator Laura Thielen: Senator Thielen circulated newsletters and presented the following: Confirmation Hearings: There are ongoing confirmation hearings for the Governor's appointees for department directors and deputy directors as well as state board positions. The confirmations were approved by the subject committee for the deputy director of the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) and three (3) of the members on the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). A full Senate floor vote to confirm these nominees will take place on Monday, April 6, 2015. Monday, April 6, 2015 is also the deadline for Governor Ige to submit his nominations, otherwise the interim directors who were appointed by the previous Governor would have to resign at the end of the legislative session.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Water Resource Management Commission (Water Commission): Chair Prentiss asked and Senator Thielen replied that the Senate did not receive the name of the nominee for the Water Commission.
2. Senate Bill 519: Bartley asked for a status update on SB 519, a measure that would require online advertisements of vacation rentals to include a copy of the registration certificate. Senator Thielen commented that she was in a confirmation hearing at the same time SB 519 was heard, and was unsure of the status.

Pesticides Bill: Wong asked what the public can do to support the pesticides bill. Representative Thielen replied that the public can contact Speaker Joe Souki and Majority Leader Scott Saiki to urge them to reassign the bill to a different committee.

Representative Chris Lee: No representative was present; no newsletters were provided.

Councilmember Ikaika Anderson: Councilmember Ikaika Anderson circulated newsletters and reported the following:

- City Budget: The City Council is currently reviewing Mayor Caldwell's budget that was submitted for the upcoming fiscal year. Councilmember Anderson's Office submitted an amendment to the capital improvement project (CIP) budget to increase appropriates to Kailua District Park. Councilmember Anderson's Office will be meeting with the administration later this week. The current appropriations for all the parks in District IV is \$500,000.
- Kihapai Street: After talking with the concerned community member who brought up this issue and DTS Director Mike Formby, the removal of a traffic calming measure on Kihapai Street is suspended since there are two (2) outstanding requests to add traffic calming measures in the community.
- Rail Project: A question was asked at the last Board meeting regarding the amount of money received from the federal government for the rail project. The amount of money received by the City thus far is \$800 million.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Rail Project: Dudevoir asked Councilmember Anderson at what point in terms of the expenditures should the City halt the construction of the rail project. Councilmember Anderson replied that if the rail project was halted, the City would have to reimburse the federal government as well as all contracts that were given a notice to proceed. Councilmember Anderson also noted that stopping the rail project would also be detrimental if the City asks for federal funding for other projects. Dudevoir noted that there were three (3) governors who halted previous proposals for mass transit projects including Governor Chris Christie of New Jersey, but there were no penalties for New Jersey. Councilmember Anderson replied that the sources of funding for the rail project and New Jersey's mass transit project is different, whereas the City is obligated to reimburse the federal government should there be major changes to the rail project, and New Jersey did not. Councilmember Anderson noted that one of his reasons for supporting the rail project is it would prevent large-scale development projects in Windward Oahu.
2. Transient Vacation Units: Parsons asked a status update on the City Council's resolution on allowing transient vacation rentals to operate legally, as well as an amendment to the "ohana units" law. Councilmember Anderson replied that the City Council is currently working with Mayor Caldwell's administration to expand the type of occupants allowed to live in "ohana units", or accessory dwelling units (ADUs) to those other than family members. In response to the first question, Councilmember Anderson replied that he recently introduced a measure, identical to a bill he introduced five (5) years ago, to permit a

limited number of additional owner-occupied bed and breakfast operations and there would be strict enforcement of the permitting system. Locricchio commented that Councilmember Anderson's resolution would increase the number of tourists and increase traffic in Kailua. Councilmember Anderson stated that the resolution would allow not more than 1,325 rental units on Oahu, and not more than one third (1/3) in any council district. Locricchio asked and Councilmember Anderson replied that additional inspectors will be hired to solely enforce the permitting system. Councilmember Anderson added that the resolution will also make it illegal to advertise a vacation rental unit without displaying a valid permit number. Freeman commented that a majority of the community is against the resolution, and that current enforcement is not effective as only a portion of the fines issued to the property owners are collected. Councilmember Anderson disagreed with Freeman's assessment that a majority of the community is against the resolution, and commented that his resolution would not permit owners to pay less than the total amount of the fines or allow the DPP Director to reduce the amount of the fines. Wong asked and Councilmember Anderson replied that the difference between a bed and breakfast operation and transient vacation unit is that a bed and breakfast is owner occupied as indicated by the property tax homeownership exemption, and that non-owner-occupied bed and breakfasts will not be permitted. Councilmember Anderson answered for Wong that there is another measure introduced by Council Chair Ernie Martin involving transient vacation rentals. Wong asked and Councilmember Anderson answered that there will be a lottery system set up by DPP to select who is allowed to operate a vacation rental unit. Wong commented that there was a moratorium on transient vacation rentals created in the late 1980s, but it was not honored. Espenan disagreed that Councilmember Anderson's resolution will provide a solution to the issue. Chair Prentiss reminded Councilmember Anderson that Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 approved a motion to oppose any new permits for short-term vacation rentals in residential neighborhoods at the last Board meeting. Councilmember Anderson commented that a majority of his constituents would like a holistic approach, rather than a piecemeal solution. Locricchio expressed disbelief that a majority of the community would support more transient vacation units; Locricchio suggested an independent entity to survey residents in Kailua on the issue. Councilmember Anderson reminded Locricchio that Council District 3 includes constituents in the Waimanalo, Kaneohe and Ahuimanu communities who also needs to be represented.

3. Kailua Beach Park: Resident Joe Gilman asked if inspectors were sent to Kailua Beach Park recently. Councilmember Anderson replied that an inspector was sent prior to the rehabilitation of the park. Gilman commented that there are many maintenance issues at the park.
4. Kihapai Street: Resident Hendricks commented that the traffic calming improvements project for Kihapai Street was approved by previous City administrations.
5. Traffic Enforcement: Zuckernick brought up concerns discussed at the beginning of the meeting regarding the understaffing and underfunding of HPD. Councilmember Anderson replied that the City Council can appropriate additional funding to HPD, but the decision is made by HPD on how the money is expended.
6. Community Requests: Councilmember Anderson commented that a majority of the community requested for a "no parking" zone on the makai side of Lanikai Loop, however Locricchio threatened to sue the City if the City approved the project. Councilmember Anderson stated he was told by DTS Director Formby that the project has not started because Corporation Counsel is still determining the merits of the threat. Locricchio explained that his question was regarding whether the project would deny beach access for the handicapped.

Senator Jill Tokuda: No representative was present; no newsletters were provided.

Representative Ken Ito: No representative was present; no newsletters were provided.

PRESENTATION:

Verizon Wireless: Chair Prentiss explained that Verizon Wireless would like to extend the existing wireless telecommunications tower at the Christ Church Uniting Disciples and Presbyterians located on Kailua Road. Cascadia PM representative Matthew Miura circulated handouts and reported that the purpose of the project is to improve data, phone, internet, and safety services in Kailua. Other locations were considered such as Kailua High School and the Women's Community Correctional Center. The project would extend the current 35-foot monopole by 10 feet, and the tentative height of the final configuration is 48 feet.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Extended Height: Parsons commented that at the extended height of the pole, a large portion of the extension would intrude into the setback. Miura stated that extending the existing pole is the least obtrusive

method of improving service. Miura noted that the City has approved these types of waivers for the setbacks in the past.

- Number of Panels: Wong asked and Miura replied that there will be an increase of panels from the current eight (8) panels to 20 panels.
- DPP Application: Wong asked and Miura replied that an application will be submitted to DPP in May 2015. Wong announced that interested community members should bring their concerns about this issue at the next Kailua Neighborhood Board Planning, Zoning and Environment Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- Stealth Antennas: Chair Prentiss asked that the antennas be disguised as something that could blend in the environment such as a tree. Miura stated that converting the monopole into a stealth antenna is not currently in the plan. Chair Prentiss reiterated the Board's request to convert it into a stealth antenna, and noted that the City would prefer the company to convert it into a stealth antenna.
- Height of Panels: Dudevoir asked and Miura answered that the height of the panels will be increased by 11 feet.
- Alternatives: Espanan commented that the extension would be aesthetically displeasing to the community. Espanan requested information on the disparity of costs between converting it into a stealth antenna, and relocating the project to a new location. Miura noted that the landowners of the previously mentioned alternative locations were not able to come to an agreement with Verizon, and only the landowner of the current location agreed to the project. Parsons asked if Miura knew what the adjacent property owners think of the project, and noted that in the past, the community is generally not supportive of projects that would intrude into the scenic views.
- Upcoming Board Motions: Bartley commented that there are upcoming motions on the agenda that needs to be discussed, and that quorum may be lost. Bartley asked that the Board discuss the next agenda item.

BOARD MOTIONS

Motion 1 – Planning, Zoning, and Environmental Committee Chair Wong read Motion 1: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 opposes Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery's proposed amendment to add approximately 56.5 acres, which is outside the Urban Community Boundary and in the State Conservation District. The motion was moved and seconded by the Planning, Zoning, and Environmental Committee.

Discussion followed: Opposition of Expansion by the Community: Parsons commented that the public has spoken in opposition to the expansion of the Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery. Parsons supports the motion.

The motion to oppose Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery's proposed amendment to add 56.5 acres which is outside of the Urban Community Boundary and in the State Conservation District was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Espanan, Freeman, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Parsons, Prentiss, Tomasa, Wong, and Zuckernick).

Motion 2 – Chair Prentiss read Motion 2: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 opposes defining areas outside the Community Growth Boundary as "urban fringe" in the Koolaupoko Sustainable Communities Plan. The motion was moved and seconded by the Planning, Zoning, and Environmental Committee.

Discussion followed: Explanation of Motion: Wong explained that "urban fringe" is not defined in the Koolaupoko Sustainable Communities Plan, however "urban fringe" is defined in the General Plan as "predominantly residential areas characterized by generally low-rise low-density development" which would include areas in the State Conservation District.

The motion to oppose defining areas outside the Community Growth Boundary as "urban fringe" in the Koolaupoko Sustainable Communities Plan was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Espanan, Freeman, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Parsons, Prentiss, Tomasa, Wong, and Zuckernick).

Motion 3 – Chair Prentiss read Motion 3: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 requests that Governor David Ige hold a community meeting in April 2015 in Kailua to hear what residents think should be the qualifications of the Head of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). The motion was moved by Locricchio and seconded by Dudevoir.

Discussion followed: Community Concerns: Locricchio noted that it is important for Governor Ige to hear concerns from the community regarding his nomination of the Director of DLNR.

The motion to request that Governor David Ige hold a community meeting in April 2015 in Kailua to hear what residents think should be the qualifications of the Head of DLNR was **ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Espanan, Freeman, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Parsons, Prentiss, Tomasa, Wong, and Zuckernick).**

Motion 4 – Chair Prentiss read Motion 4: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 endorses exploration of the concept to use a “land marina” as a cost effective solution to help address Hawaii’s homeless issue. The motion was moved by Locricchio and seconded by Wong.

Locricchio moved and Bartley seconded the motion to defer Motion 4. Bartley raised a point of order to allow community input. Chair Prentiss accepted Bartley’s point of order.

Discussion followed: Safety Issues: Community member Matt Sutton voiced concerns about safety and health issues such as fire hazards and lack of reliable plumbing in using vessels, which may be in a derelict condition, as housing units. Sutton noted that another alternative is to use shipping containers as housing units.

The motion to defer the Motion 4, which states that the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 endorses exploration of the concept to use a “land marina” as a cost effective solution to help address Hawaii’s homeless issue was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 11-1-0 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Freeman, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Parsons, Prentiss, Tomasa, Wong, and Zuckernick; NAY: Espanan; ABSTAIN: None).

Motion 5 – The Transportation and Public Works Committee moved and seconded that the Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 requests that the City and County of Honolulu and the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) stop work on the rail system immediately.

Discussion followed:

1. Land Ferry Alternative: Locricchio gave a short presentation on a land ferry proposal that was submitted to HART in prior years. Locricchio noted that there will be no need for a rail system if there is a land ferry system in place. Dudevoir commented that the rail project is too costly, and noted that an alternative method of transportation system should be considered such as the land ferry system as presented by Locricchio.

At 9:22 p.m., Hicks arrived at the meeting; **13 members were present.**

At 9:23 p.m., Zuckernick left the meeting; **12 members were present.**

2. Support of Motion by Hicks: Hicks commented that the rail will be expensive to maintain and operate, and that 18% of the City’s operating budget would be dedicated to fund rail operations.
3. Support of Motion by Bartley: Bartley voiced strong support for the motion.
4. Clarification of the Motion: Wong asked for a clarification and reading of the full motion.

Hicks read Motion 5: The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 requests that the City and County of Honolulu and the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) stop work on the rail system immediately and conduct a review in which the following are analyzed and publicized:

1. **The current projected cost based upon the experience to date;**
2. **A firm estimate of the annual operating costs for the rail system once completed;**
3. **The timeline for completion of the project;**
4. **A revised estimate of the likely reduction in traffic congestion upon completion of the rail project;**
5. **A rigorous review of alternatives to rail, such as bus rapid transit, which would have a similar or larger reduction in traffic congestion;**
6. **A review of how the already built infrastructure could be utilized for the completion of alternatives;**
7. **A review of the interaction between the US Department of Transportation (DOT) and the states after rail/tunnel projects were terminated in Florida and New Jersey. This review should include an assessment of how much funding they were forced to reimburse to the US DOT; and**
8. **An assessment of current public opinion conducted by an independent third party.**

Motion 5 was NOT ADOPTED, 9-2-1 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Freeman, Hicks, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Tomasa, and Wong; NAY: Parsons and Prentiss; ABSTAIN: Espanan).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2015: **Without any objections, the regular meeting minutes of March 5, 2015 were APPROVED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 12-0-0 (AYE: Bartley, Chinen, Dudevoir, Espenan, Freeman, Hicks, Hinsvark, Locricchio, Parsons, Prentiss, Tomasa, and Wong).**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Recreation: Committee Chair Chinen announced that the Parks and Recreation Committee recessed in March 2015, but the Committee will be meeting in April 2015.

Transportation and Public Works: Committee Chair Hicks reported that the project to install a new traffic signal at the intersection of Kuulei Road and Aulike Street is moving forward, and that DTS is recommending to install a roundabout to ease traffic in Kalapawai. Committee Chair Hicks also announced that the next Transportation and Public Works meeting is Thursday, April 9, 2015.

Public Safety, Public Health, and Civil Defense (PHPSCD): Committee Chair Tomasa announced the following:

- Kailua Town Hall Preparedness Meeting: The Kailua town hall meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2015, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The topic of discussion is tropical cyclones and hurricanes.
- Amateur Radio Classes: Seven (7) Kailua residents passed the Amateur Radio Technician exam and received their Federal Communications Commission (FCC) license and call sign. More amateur radio classes may be scheduled in the near future. The class is free and open to interested community members.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): The Kailua CERT is working with Castle Medical Center and Toby Clairmont to discuss how community groups can work with healthcare organizations during a disaster. The Kailua CERT coordinator is currently working on an action plan. The multi-hazard mitigation disaster plan and disaster response plan for Kailua is available on the City Department of Emergency Management (DEM) website. There are no CERT classes scheduled for the general public in May 2015; for more information, call Jeff Spencer at 723-8960.
- Next Meeting: The next PHPSCD Committee meeting is on Thursday, April 9, 2015, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Arts and Crafts room of the Kailua Recreation Center.
- Kailua Town Party: Chair Prentiss commented that he had previously announced at the beginning of the meeting that interested community members may contact Tomasa regarding the Kailua Town Party.

At 9:41 p.m., Bartley left the meeting; **11 members were present.**

Government and Community Services: Committee Chair Darnell was not present at the meeting; no report was given.

Planning, Zoning, & Environment: Committee Chair Wong announced that the next meeting of the Planning, Zoning, & Environment Committee is on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Kalama Beach Park.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tomasa reported a spending of \$62.01 for March 2015 and a remaining balance of \$321.85. The report was filed.

Chair's Report: Chair Prentiss announced that the committee agendas are due by Sunday, April 26, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Submitted by: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed and finalized by: Chuck Prentiss, Chair