



MAKAKILO/ KAPOLEI/ HONOKAI HALE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 34

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015** **KAPOLEI HIGH SCHOOL CAFETORIUM**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Evelyn Souza called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. **Quorum was not established with four (4) members present.** Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Dean Kalani Capelouto (arrived at 7:12 p.m.), Troy Cullen (arrived at 7:12 p.m.), Michael Kioni Dudley (arrived at 8:23 p.m.), Jeff Healy, Jack Legal, Jame Schaedel (arrived at 7:04 p.m., departed at 9:45 p.m.), Evelyn Souza, Thad Spreg, and Kanani Wond (arrived at 7:09 p.m.).

Board Members Absent: None.

Guests: Firefighter Shawn Nakamura (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Farrel Sojot and Lieutenant Randall Arakaki (Honolulu Police Department); Director Michael Formby (Department of Transportation Services); Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply); Representative Andria Tupola; Larie Manutai (Representative Andria Tupola's Office); Rock Riggs (Senator Gabbard's Office); Pat Lee (Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation); Michael Okamoto (Avalon Development); Councilmember Kymberly Pine; Kathy Davenport (Councilmember Kymberly Pine's Office); Walter Figueira; Ralph Faufata; Clara Lam; Steven Vendt; Richard and Shirley Landford; Sanjiv Hulugalle, Ken Williams, and Nelson Lampert (Ko Olina); Frank Genadio; Heidi Armstrong (Department of Education); Craig Luke (R.M. Towill Corporation); Karl Carges; Maeda Timson; Larry and Mariea Vaughan; Michael Golojuch Jr.; Peter Ridela; Rose Shin; Ed Ciliberti; Shannon Ancheta; Gig Greenwood; Mike Freitas; Ron Schaedel; Kiran Polk (Hunt); Carina Tagupa (Chevron); Thomas Berger (TNT Fireworks); Remi T; and Lori Snyder (Neighborhood Commission Office).

ROLL CALL/STATEMENT OF ORDER AND DECORUM: Chair Souza explained the rules of speaking, which included a time at the beginning of the agenda for community members to comment on the agenda items.

Schaedel arrived at 7:04 p.m. **Five (5) members were present. Quorum was established.**

Neighborhood Assistant Lori Snyder confirmed five (5) members present.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Chair Souza relinquished the gavel to Vice Chair Legal.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Farrel Sojot reported the following: **Statistics:** Statistics included 22 motor vehicle thefts, 64 burglaries, 189 thefts, 43 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV), and 7,674 total calls for service.

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): There was no representative present. This item was deferred.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA: Vice Chair Legal invited the community to testify on the agenda items.

- **Golojuch Jr.'s Testimony:** Golojuch Jr. provided the following testimony:
 - **HFD:** Mahalo to HFD for containing the Makakilo brushfire.
 - **HPD:** HPD for Hawaii is ranked third in the nation when it comes to the chance of being killed by an HPD officer; a follow up is requested for what HPD is doing to address that statistic. Mahalo to HPD for support during the 25th annual Honolulu Pride Parade.
 - **Community Concerns:** There is a concern that the agenda does not allow the community to provide input after presentations. June is pride month, and the 25th annual Honolulu Pride Parade was held. The public is invited to the Hawaii State Capitol on the day the Supreme Court makes a decision on marriage equality beginning at 4:30 p.m.

- Kapolei Park Parking: HPD should either continue to ticket illegally parked vehicles and use those funds to provide additional parking, or change user fees for those who use the park to provide the extra parking and park maintenance.
- Makakilo Drive Extension: To pay for the Makakilo Drive extension, a luxury tax could be charged to the houses on the hill that are worth more than \$1 million. This is a huge safety concern for everyone who live on the hill, especially after the last brush fire. It is requested that Director Formby hold a public meeting for community input.

Wond arrived at 7:09 p.m. **Six (6) members were present.**

- Four Seasons Ko Olina: The employment opportunities at Four Seasons Ko Olina should be union jobs and pay a living wage.
- Telecommunications Tower in Kapolei: A tower to help increase cell service is good for the community.
- Mayor Caldwell: Thank you to Mayor Kirk Caldwell for addressing the homeless issue as well as not signing the budget. Mayor Caldwell should fix the Neighborhood Board system. Golojuch Jr. does not support Don Horner's reappointment to the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) board of directors.

Capelouto and Cullen arrived at 7:12 p.m. **Eight (8) members were present.** Chair Souza reassumed the gavel.

- Board of Water Supply: BWS should assure the community that Hawaii will not confront drought issues that are seen currently on the mainland.
- Councilmember Pine: Councilmember Pine should help allow the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) to change the agendas if they do not abide by the Neighborhood Plan or Sunshine Law. Board Members should be able to obtain adequate training in Sunshine Law and the Neighborhood Plan. Thank you for not overriding Mayor Caldwell's veto on the expansion of the sit-lie bill.
- HART: There are members of the community that support rail.
- Governor Ige: Governor David Ige should sign House Bill (HB) 63, the birth certificate bill, and HB 321, the medical marijuana dispensary bill. It is also requested that Governor Ige sign the general excise tax (GET) extension for the rail project.
- Senator Mike Gabbard: Senator Gabbard should support bills that would bring justice to the lesbian gay bisexual transgender (LGBT) community, and thank you to Senator Gabbard for voting in support of the marijuana dispensary bill.
- Senator Maile Shimabukuro: Thank you to Senator Shimabukuro for her hard work.
- Representative Sharon Har: The statements that State Representative Har said against marriage equality during the 2013 special session were proven to be unfounded and rebutted by the Supreme Court.
- Representative Andria Tupola: Representative Tupola should support measures such as banning reparative therapy.
- Representative Ty Cullen: Representative Cullen should look into reinstating the tax that expired on the 1% of community.
- Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA): An update is requested on the trees along Fort Derussy Road.
- Chair's Report: Chair Souza is facing two (2) complaints with the NCO.
- Treasurer's Report: The amount of funds remaining should be listed on the agenda rather than spending time during the meeting to discuss this item.
- Committees: There are no minutes posted for the committee meetings. The Transportation Committee allows the community to respond after presentations.

Chair Souza took the agenda out of order to Honolulu Fire Department.

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Firefighter Shawn Nakamura reported the following:

- Statistics: Statistics included 20 structure fires, 110 medical emergencies, 67 miscellaneous emergencies, and 5 major incidences.
- Fire Safety Tip: Brush fires can cause great damage to communities. To prevent brushfires, remove flammable materials, dead vegetation and woodpiles from within 30 feet of the home, keep laws hydrated and maintained, and clear leaves and other vegetation debris from porches and roofs.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- Cause of Brushfire: Firefighter Nakamura answered for Healy that the cause of the recent Makakilo brushfire is undetermined.
- Fireworks Permitting Change: Capelouto inquired about a permitting change for fireworks. HFD will follow up.
- Wildfire Workshops: Firefighter Nakamura answered for Wond that he was unfamiliar with any wildfire workshops.

Chair Souza returned the agenda to PUBLIC TESTIMONY OF ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA and relinquished the gavel to Vice Chair Legal.

- Genadio's Testimony: Resident Frank Genadio commented that the authors of an article in the Sunday, June 14, 2015 Star-Advertiser expressed support for the rail and extension to the windward coast, which would increase the cost. Genadio also noted that using steel-on-steel technology would burden the taxpayers, but Maglev technology would lower the cost.

Chair Souza reassumed the gavel.

- Peter Ridela's Testimony: Resident Peter Ridela reported an accident that occurred in April 2014 at the Kunia onramp under the bridge. Ridela noted that a vehicle collided with his vehicle as he was turning, and Ridela requested that witnesses can call him at 672-4673. Ridela voiced a concern about safety because this is a busy intersection, and requested a stoplight be placed at the intersection. Legal agreed with Ridela's safety concerns. Wond thanked Ridela for bringing his concern to the Board.
- Greenwood's Testimony: Resident Gig Greenwood voiced concerns about the distasteful paint colors of the Ho'okele Elementary School. Greenwood also voiced concerns about the rail project.
- Landford's Testimony: Richard Landford, Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36 Transportation Committee Chair, requested to be part of the planning process for the Makakilo Drive extension so that a second exit in Nanakuli could be implemented.
- Berger's Testimony: Thomas Berger, representative of TNT Fireworks, noted that Bill 5 (2014) related to fireworks will be discussed at the next City Council meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at Kapolei Hale. Berger noted that if Bill 5 is passed, sparklers and fountains will be legal to purchase with a permit. Berger also noted that 60% of the community is in support of an additional firework option. Greenwood recommended setting up fireworks clubs to provide safety training to those who would like to use fireworks.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Resolution 171 (2015) Kapolei Soccer Park: Wond reported the following: Resolution 171 began when Wond expressed the need for more parking at Kapolei Soccer Park. Chair Souza sent this concern to Councilmember Pine's Office, and Councilmember Pine created Resolution 171, which requests a feasibility study at Kapolei Soccer Park to review parking and other issues needed to be addressed. Resolution 171 will be brought to the City Council on Wednesday, July 8, 2015. Legal read Resolution 171. Councilmember Pine's representative Kathy Davenport thanked the community for bringing this issue to attention and explained that the resolution is requesting a feasibility study to review all options, whether temporary or permanent, to address parking.

Legal moved and Wond seconded that the Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34 adopt Resolution 171 as presented. The motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 8-0-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Healy, Legal, Schaedel, Souza, Speg, and Wond).

BOARD PRESENTATIONS:

Makakilo Drive Extension: Director Michael Formby reported the following: the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) has been working on the Makakilo Drive extension project to find ways to lower the cost in order to give the project higher priority. Currently DTS is working on the Joint Traffic Management Center to be finished in 2017. If the funds are allocated in 2017 for design of the Makakilo Drive extension project, construction could begin in 2018/2019. The projects that are competing for the funds include Salt Lake Boulevard widening and Farrington Highway. There will be public meeting for community to provide input on the project design.

Director Formby introduced Craig Luke, Project Manager at R.M. Towill Corporation. Luke reported the following: Schematic design for the project is complete, and moving into the preliminary design phase. A design engineering study was executed that discovered ways to decrease the project cost. The estimated project cost from five (5) years ago translates to today's cost of \$108 million. With the new design changes, the cost was lowered to \$65 million; in the next three (3) years when the project gets closer to construction, the cost including a 5% construction cost increase per year is estimated to be \$75. New permits and an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the new design will be completed by the second quarter of 2016.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Design Changes: Healy requested more details about the design changes that were implemented. Luke explained that the bridge was removed, the thickness of the concrete was reduced, the cross-section of the median was adjusted, and capacity is the same. Wond thanked Luke for finding design changes to decrease the cost.
2. Steepness of Road: Legal inquired if the removal of the bridge would cause the elevation to be steeper. Luke responded that there will be no change to the grade of the road as it exists currently. Luke answered for Chair Souza that the slope varies.
3. Project Timeline: Spreg inquired about the likelihood that this project would adhere to the proposed timeline. Director Formby answered that the projects are presented for funding based on how far they are in the design phase, and the Salt Lake Boulevard widening project is in competition for funding; the decision is also left to the preference of the City Council. Director Formby noted that he plans to provide \$3 million for the second phase of design in fall 2015 to have a completed design by 2018.
4. Project Support: Spreg noted that all elected officials he has talked to support Mayor Caldwell with this project. Legal voiced support for the project and emphasized the priority of the Makakilo Drive extension project compared to the Salt Lake project.
5. Route: Capelouto inquired about the route and if it would impact homeowners. Luke explained that the route would not impact any homeowners.
6. Environmental Assessment: Luke answered for Chair Souza that the EA would be supplemental.
7. Bicycle Lanes: Luke answered for Chair Souza that bicycle lanes would be implemented.
8. Collaboration: Luke answered for Chair Souza that he plans to collaborate with D.R. Horton and Grace Pacific who will be doing work in the area, and DR Horton is proposing a solar project in the area.
9. Land Owners: Director Formby noted that land ownership issues have to be resolved, and Luke answered for Chair Souza that the landowners are D.R. Horton, University of Hawaii, and Grace Pacific.

Director Formby requested that he report at a future Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34 regular and transportation committee meeting to provide an update on the project.

Four Seasons Ko Olina: Ken Williams, general manager of the Ko Olina Community Association introduced Sanjiv Hulugalle, general manager at the Four Seasons Resort Oahu. Hulugalle reported the following: The renovation includes widening a few of the current rooms to reduce the overall room count from 390 to roughly 360. The most important aspect of the hotel is the staff who pride themselves in excellent service, and Four Seasons Ko Olina will be hiring 700 employees. The resort is scheduled to open in spring 2016. The goal of the Four Seasons Ko Olina is to bring the culture to life by involving the community as well as giving back to the community. Construction is ongoing.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Exterior Changes: Legal inquired if there would be any exterior changes to the hotel. Hulugalle noted that the renovations are internal, bringing back the contemporary feel that the original architect, Ed Killingsworth, would have wanted.

Dudley arrived at 8:21 p.m. **There were nine (9) members present.**

2. Community Benefits: Wond inquired about how the community benefits from this hotel. Hulugalle answered that the community is encouraged to visit the restaurants in the resort.
3. Traffic Increase: Wond inquired what the hotel will do about the increase in traffic. Williams answered that the renovation is decreasing the amount of rooms which will result in less traffic. Williams also noted that permits were originally obtained for the Ihilani resort in order to be able to host the amount of guests at the location.
4. Disclosure: Capelouto disclosed that the Four Seasons Resort Lanai and Four Seasons Resort Maui are both his customers.

5. Bus Stops: Capelouto noted that bus stops in Ko Olina were removed from the route, and emphasized the importance of the resort staff to be able to get to the resort.
6. Beach Access: Capelouto inquired about beach access. Wond inquired about the parking lots incorporated in the hotel design to allow for easier beach access. Williams answered that the Ihilani garage will remain the same size, there are approximately 197 beachfront parking stalls available for the public, and there will be roughly 300 stalls for hotel employees.
7. Employment: Dudley inquired about local employment. Williams noted that more than half of the staff in Ko Olina are living on the west side of Oahu. Hulugalle answered for Legal and Cullen that Four Seasons Ko Olina is committed to interviewing all previous Ihilani employees.
8. Beach Club Fees: Legal noted that the residents of Ko Olina pay beach club fees to maintain the beach and the lagoons.
9. Airport: Chair Souza recommended the hotel use the airport located on the west side for their guests.
10. Rail to Ko Olina: Community member Greenwood inquired if Ko Olina was considering the possibility of extending the rail to Ko Olina. Williams noted that public transportation is good for the community.

Neighborhood Assistant Snyder reminded Chair Souza that a motion must be adopted in order to receive questions from the community because all community testimony was provided at the beginning of the meeting.

Chair Souza relinquished the gavel to Vice Chair Dudley.

Avalon Development Telecommunications Tower: Michael Okamoto from Avalon Development reported the following: The new tower will provide increased wireless communication coverage in Kapolei. The location of the tower will be mauka of Farrington Highway and Kualakai Parkway, on a vacant plot of land owned by the University of Hawaii (UH) West Oahu. The land will be secured with no public access. The grounding equipment will not be visible to the general public. The tower itself will be an 80 foot monopole.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Purpose: Okamoto answered for Capelouto that the purpose of this tower is to cover the coverage gap, or "dead zone of service" in Kapolei.
2. Phone Companies: Okamoto answered for Capelouto that this is a T-Mobile tower, but other phone companies will be able to use the tower.
3. Pole Design: Okamoto explained for Dudley that the pole would look similar to a lamp post.

Chair Souza reassumed the gavel.

Chair Souza noted that if the Board was to receive community questions, a motion would need to be adopted. Chair Souza asked the audience if there was anyone wanting to ask a question. There were no community questions.

Legal moved and Healy seconded to support the Avalon Development Telecommunications Tower.

Discussion followed: Disclosure: Schaedel and Souza disclosed that they are T-Mobile customers.

The motion to support the Avalon Development Telecommunications Tower was ADOPTED by RAISE OF HAND, 8-0-1 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Healy, Legal, Schaedel, Souza, Spreg, and Wond. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Cullen.)

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2015: **The May 27, 2015 Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34 regular meeting minutes were ADOPTED as AMENDED, 7-1-1 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Healy, Legal, Schaedel, Souza, and Wond. NAY: Spreg. ABSTAIN: Dudley).**

Amendments included: Page 1: Board Members Present: After "Jame Schaedel" add "(departed at 7:45 p.m.)."

ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS:

Mayor Kirk Caldwell: Director Michael Formby reported the following:

- Summer Concert Series: The Honolulu Zoo will continue to host a summer concert series until Wednesday, August 5, 2015 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. The Foster Botanical

Gardens will host a summer concert series every Thursday in June 2015 and July 2015 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; admission is free.

- Kapolei Post Office No Parking Zone: HPD issued eight (8) citations at the Kapolei Post Office for prohibited parking from Tuesday, June 9, 2015 until Friday, June 12, 2015. HPD will continue to monitor and take action. Until DTS receives indication from the United States Postal Service (USPS) that they intend to relocate their drop box, DTS will retain the existing parking restriction along Haumea Street fronting the Kapolei Post Office.
- Makakilo Drive Sprinklers: The Makakilo Drive medians irrigation system is set to be on from 1:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m. The timers were repaired on Saturday, June 6, 2015. Call the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) Halawa Dispatch office at 768-3622 if the timers are on after 3:30 a.m.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Kapolei Post Office Parking: Director Formby answered for Dudley that a previous request from the community warranted the current no parking zone at the post office, and USPS placed the drop box; If USPS moves the drop box, the City can reinstate the parking at that location. Dudley inquired why the entire section near the drop box is a no parking zone, and Director Formby will follow up with the specific distance that traffic engineers require to zone as no parking by a drop box. Dudley noted that the majority of the community would like to see that area designated for parking. Wond recommended mirroring where other businesses place their drop boxes. Spreg noted his concern is vehicles that are parked illegally, and requested consistency.

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

- Main Break Report: There was one (1) main break on Friday, May 22, 2015 at 91-087 Hanua Street.
- Water Rates: In 2012, BWS implemented a new water rate schedule. The rate increase will be effective Wednesday, July 1, 2015. Water charges are separate from sewer charges. More information about the rate increase can be found at www.boardofwatersupply.com.
- Annual Water Quality Reports: The results of the BWS water sources and distribution tests are published in the BWS annual water quality report, which will be mailed to all customers by Wednesday, July 1, 2015. Questions about the reports can be directed to the BWS Water quality division at 748-5080 and more information can be found at www.boardofwatersupply.com.
- Red Hill Fuel Leak Update: In January 2014, the United States Navy reported a jet fuel leak from Tank 5 at its Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility. In June 2015, the Navy, State Department of Health (DOH) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), released an Administration Order on Consent (AOC) which will determine what the Navy will need to do in order to prevent future fuel leaks and contamination to the aquifer. Residents in surrounding communities are encouraged to participate in the process to finalize the document. For information on how to submit comments visit www.boardofwatersupply.com; comments should be submitted by Wednesday, July 1, 2015.
- Makakilo 440 Fencing: All bids have been received for the Makakilo 440 fencing and the procurement selection and contract process is occurring.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Red Hill Concern: Chair Souza voiced concern that the media is announcing the location of these fuel tanks. Adachi noted that the fuel tanks were previously classified and kept secret, but now the tanks are widely known and BWS is not releasing any information that is unknown to the public.
2. Groundwater Contamination: Capelouto inquired if the leak has contaminated the groundwater. Adachi noted that currently there is no contamination in the groundwater, but in the future it could spread to the groundwater.
3. Contamination Prevention: Dudley noted that there is bacteria that can absorb the fuel to prevent the leak from spreading. Adachi responded that he is not sure bioremediation would help address the millions of gallons of fuel still in the tank, and recommended Dudley submit his comments to the Navy.

Councilmember Kymberly Pine: Councilmember Pine reported the following:

- Kapolei Park Resolution 171: Thank you to the Board for supporting Resolution 171.
- Road Repaving in Budget: The budget includes funds for the repaving of Kamokila Boulevard as well as every street in the Villages of Kapolei.
- Tax Issue: There have been concerns from residents of Mehana at Kapolei who are getting taxed at a business rate when many use their space as residential. The City is working with the Department of Taxation to possibly create an exemption. Residents who have issues with their tax bill should contact Councilmember Pine's Office.

- Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill: Resolution 15-167 was passed urging the administration to expedite the closure of the Waimanalo Gulch sanitary landfill. The issue will be addressed at the Wednesday, July 8, 2015 City Council meeting at Kapolei Hale.
- Thank You Neighborhood Board Members: Thank you to Neighborhood Board members for their service.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill: Chair Souza noted that \$1 million was spent to find a landfill location, and noted that the west side of the island should not be burdened with the landfill. Dudley inquired of the possibility of a system to clear out the landfill. The landfill is not used every day; 90% of trash is being recycled, burned, and used for energy.
2. Residential A Tax: Legal inquired about the status of the Residential A tax. Councilmember Pine noted that many exemptions were made, Residential A is still in existence, and deliberation is still occurring. Councilmember Pine clarified further that some community members are using the top level of their property as residential, while the lower level is business, but both are taxed as business.
3. Bulk Trash Pickup: Dudley noted that many Makakilo residents illegally place bulky trash items on the curb on non-pickup days, and encouraged outreach to inform residents that bulk trash pickup is on the first Monday of the month. Chair Souza noted that a system called Herhof existed previously that got rid of trash, and suggested reinstating that system.
4. Thank You: Wond thanked Councilmember Pine for her assistance to the community.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART): Pat Lee reported the following:

- Core Systems Contract: The rail Core Systems contract requires Ansaldo JV Honolulu to provide the rail vehicles, the automated train control system, traction electrification system (TES), communication systems, passenger platform screen gates (PSGs), and operation and maintenance services for the rail project. Ansaldo, which is soon to be a part of the Hitachi Group, was awarded the \$1.4 billion Core Systems contract in 2011.
- Ongoing Activities: Passenger vehicle manufacturing, key system manufacturing, design verification and qualification testing activities are on-going.
- Rail Cars: Rail car-shell assembly continues to progress at the Ansaldo Breda factory in Reggio Calabria, Italy. The floors, roofs and side panels of the rail cars are being welded together. The rail cars will then be shipped to Pittsburg, California, outside of Oakland, where final assembly will take place and then shipped to Oahu. The rail cars, controls and communication systems will be inspected and tested at the Rail Operations Center, then tested and certified for passenger service on the guideway. Both the federal government and the state participate in the certification process which takes up to 24 months. The first train car is expected to be delivered to HART by summer of 2016. The operations and maintenance of the core system will produce 300 jobs, many of which may be filled by local hires. Rail cars will be air conditioned, and include free WiFi throughout the trains as well as the rail stations. Each four-car train can carry about 800 passengers and will have 190 seats. Passengers will be allowed to bring on bicycles, luggage, wheelchairs, coolers, strollers and surfboards, too. This will be during non-peak times. There will be a total fleet of 80 train cars with approximately 17 four-car trains in operation during peak travel periods. Each car is 10 feet wide, 14 feet high and 64 feet long, with three (3) doors on each side.
- Construction Highlights: There have been 247 foundation shafts placed, 168 columns erected, 2,882 segments cast, and 126 spans have been completed. Three (3) miles of guideway are now completed and the rail guideway is proceeding into the Waipahu area.
- Lane Closures: Fort Weaver Road/Kunia Road overpass near Waipahu and Ewa will be closed overnight for two (2) weeks for rail construction beginning Sunday evening, June 28, 2015. The overnight lane closures, to run Sundays through Thursdays, will allow crews to safely build the elevated rail guideway over the vehicular overpass at the intersection of Fort Weaver Road and Farrington Highway. The work and related lane closures are expected to run two (2) weeks from Sunday, June 28, 2015 to Friday, July 10, 2015. There is no work planned for the Fourth of July holiday. Directional signs will be placed along the route to help drivers navigate the detour. HART apologizes for any inconvenience caused by the construction-related lane closures.
- Contact: For traffic updates, meeting notices and more information, 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. Worker Statistics: Capelouto requested the number of current workers for the rail project and the retention rate of workers on the site. Lee noted that there were currently over 1,400 workers but will follow up.
2. Car Trip Reduction Statistics: Spreg noted that Ho'opili will add 66,000 daily car trips to the area; HART claims to remove 40,000 car trips with rail, leaving 26,000 additional daily car trips added. Spreg also noted that \$125,000 is being spent per car trip taken off the road, and believes that there are cheaper ways to reduce the number of car trips on the road.

Governor David Ige: A representative was not present and a report was not provided.

Schaedel departed at 9:45 p.m. There were eight (8) members present.

Senator Mike Gabbard: Rock Riggs provided a handout and reported the following:

- Listen Story Meeting: Senator Gabbard's next Listen Story meeting will be held at Kapolei High School teacher's lounge on Saturday, July 25, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Wakea Gardens Opening: The Wakea Gardens in Kalaeloa will have its grand opening on Tuesday, June 30, 2015.
- Hawaii Environmental Court Symposium: Senator Gabbard will speak at the Hawaii Environmental Court Symposium at the University of Hawaii (UH) on Friday, June 26, 2015.

Senator Maile Shimabukuro: A representative was not present and a report was not provided.

Representative Sharon Har: A representative was not present and a report was not provided.

Representative Ty Cullen: A representative was not present and a report was provided.

Representative Andria Tupola: Representative Tupola provided a handout and reported the following:

- Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill: A blog post about a recent visit to the Waimanalo Gulch sanitary landfill can be found on Representative Tupola's website.
- Emergency Preparedness Fair: An Emergency Preparedness Fair will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Nanakuli High School.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Newsletter Appreciation: Wond voiced appreciation for the newsletter layout.

REPORTS:

Treasurers Report: Spreg reported a spending of \$22.13 in May 2015, leaving a balance of \$140.09. The report was filed.

Transportation Committee: Capelouto announced that the next Makakilo/ Kapolei/ Honokai Hale No. 34 Transportation Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. There will be a presentation from the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) regarding the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the transfer of Franklin Delano Roosevelt Avenue to the HCDA in the Kalaeloa Community Development District.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board Member Appreciation: Chair Souza thanked the Board members for their dedication and service.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Submitted By: Lori Snyder, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed By: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed By: Evelyn Souza, Chair