



## MILILANI MAUKA/ LAUNANI VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 35

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2015 MILILANI MAUKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair pro tem Dean Hazama called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., **with a quorum of seven (7) members present.** Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Dana Agader, Kevin Cole (appointed at this meeting), Dean Hazama, Joseph Hwang, Teresa Lau, Steven Melendrez, Stanton Oishi, and Keith Tamashiro.

**Board Members Absent:** Luella Costales.

**Vacancies:** There was one (1) at-large vacancy.

**Guests:** Boy Scouts Troop 664, Jeanne Ishikawa (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's representative), Thomas Strout (Board of Water Supply), Captain William Thornock (Honolulu Fire Department), Sergeant Eli Walters, Major Kerry Inouye, and Lieutenant C. Ikezono (Honolulu Police Department), Lieutenant Colonel Scott Miller (U.S. Army), Heidi Tsuneyoshi (Council Chair Ernie Martin's Office), David Cho (Senator Donovan Dela Cruz's Office), Kanani Iaea (Enterprise VanPool), Glenn Moir and Greg Tsugawa (City Department of Transportation Services), Marlo Ting (Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang's Office), James Cooper, Claudine Allen, Yvonne de Luna, and Risé Doi (Neighborhood Commission Office).

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Boy Scouts Troop 664 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** – Captain William Thornock reported the following:

- **July 2015 and August 2015 Fire Statistics:** Between Tuesday, July 21, 2015 and Tuesday, August 18, 2015, there were 3 fire calls, 26 Emergency Medical Service (EMS) and rescue calls, 1 hazardous condition call, 1 service call, 3 good intent calls, and 4 false calls. There were 38 total incidents.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** Hawaii's hurricane season runs from June through November. Take the necessary steps to have an evacuation plan and a survival kit. For more information, visit the Department of Emergency Management's (DEM) website at [www.honolulu.gov/dem](http://www.honolulu.gov/dem).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Wahiawa Brush Fire:** Chair Hazama asked and Captain Thornock answered that the brush fire in Wahiawa has been extinguished and the cause of the fire has not been determined at this time.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD)** – Sergeant Eli Walters reported the following:

- **Alarm Registration:** In May 2015, HPD began outsourcing its alarm registration and tracking functions to the Public Safety Corporation. This cost saving step by the City will not increase user fees. For more information, go to [www.honolulu.org](http://www.honolulu.org). Police will enforce pedestrian safety laws.
- **Traffic Safety Tip:** Governor David Ige has declared August 2015 as Pedestrian Safety Month in Hawaii. Hawaii is the only state to designate a month for pedestrian safety.
- **Crime Prevention Tip:** Entry through unlocked doors continues. Lock all doors and windows to reduce property crime.

**Board of Water Supply (BWS)** – Tom Strout reported the following:

- **Main Break Report:** There were no main breaks in July 2015.
- **2015-2016 Halawa Xeriscape Garden Workshop Schedule:** BWS and Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden

continue to offer Saturday workshops that highlight the concept of xeriscaping. The new 2015-2016 xeriscape workshop schedule features new and popular workshops that offer useful tips on maintaining a beautiful and water-efficient garden. Advanced registration is required to attend. Call 748-5230 or email [workshops@hbws.org](mailto:workshops@hbws.org) to reserve a space at one of the workshops. Visit [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com) to see the full list of classes being offered. The Halawa Xeriscape Garden remains open to the public on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Military – Lieutenant Colonel Scott Miller from the 130th Engineering Brigade reported the following:

- Force Structure Decisions: The Department of the Army announced force structure changes affecting the U.S. Army Pacific (USARPAC). There will be a conversion of the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division (2/25 SBCT) at Schofield Barracks into a two-maneuver battalion infantry brigade combat team. This will result in a decrease of 1,200 soldiers. The conversion of 2/25 SBCT is expected to improve training opportunities with partners and allies and increase readiness, streamline logistical support, and reduce costs associated with the transportation of Stryker equipment.
- Brush Fire: The Army helped battle the brush fire in Wahiawa by providing helicopter water bucket drops. The Army also provided support for a fire on Hawaii Island.
- Family and MWR Hiring Fair: The hiring fair was held on Monday, August 17, 2015 at Leilehua Golf Course. On-site interviews occurred, and part-time and full-time opportunities were available.
- Leilehua Concert Series: The Leilehua Concert series continues at the Leilehua Golf Course and is open to the public. Call 655-1711 for more information.
- Retiree Appreciation Day: The Army is hosting a free Retiree Appreciation Day on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at Nehelani Club on Schofield Barracks from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Lunch is from noon to 2:00 p.m. The cost for lunch is \$17.50 per person. Registration is required. Call 655-1585 for more information.
- Prescription Drug Take Back: Saturday, September 26, 2015 is Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Expired or unused prescription medications will be collected. The Army location and hours for prescription drug take back are being finalized. Call 656-3160 for updates and information.
- Gold Star Mother's Day: Gold Star Mother's Day will be held on Sunday, September 27, 2015. The Army honors mothers who have lost a son or daughter in service to the nation. There will be a remembrance ceremony and lei presentation at 1:00 p.m. at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. Call 438-1956 for more information.
- Na Koa Canoe Regatta: The sixth annual Na Koa Canoe Wounded Warrior Canoe Regatta will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2015 at Waikiki Beach fronting Fort DeRussy from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information, go to <http://nakoaregatta.org>.
- Tripler Fisher House 8K Hero and Remembrance Run, Walk, or Roll: This 8K run will be held on Saturday, September 5, 2015 at Ford Island from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Call 489-8261 or 254-702-3530 for more information.
- Gold Star Display: The Gold Star display will be at Hale Koa Hotel lobby from Wednesday, September 9, 2015 to Wednesday, September 30, 2015.
- Distinguished Service Award: The Hawaii Conservation Alliance awarded Mr. Allan Char the Distinguished Service Award.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Force Structure Changes: Chair pro tem Hazama asked and Lieutenant Colonel Miller answered that the force structure changes should be completed by 2017.

## CONVENING BOARD ACTIONS

### Election of Officers

- Chair: Tamashiro nominated Hazama for Chair. There were no other nominations. **Hazama was elected as Chair, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**
- Vice Chair: Lau nominated Oishi as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. **Oishi was elected as Vice Chair, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**
- Secretary: Agader nominated Lau as Secretary. There were no other nominations. **Lau was elected as Secretary, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**
- Treasurer: Oishi nominated Costales as Treasurer. There were no other nominations. **Costales was elected as Treasurer, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

Regular Meeting Day/Time/Place/Recess

**Lau moved and Oishi seconded to hold the Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35 on the third Tuesday of each month at the Mililani Mauka Elementary School cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

**Melendrez moved and Tamashiro seconded to recess the regular meetings in July and December. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

Videotaping and Facility Rental Fee

Melendrez asked and Chair Hazama answered that the budget for the video contract is \$2,400 and the total budget is \$2,934.

**Melendrez moved and Tamashiro seconded to approve the expenditure of funds for the videotaping of the meetings. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

**Lau moved and Tamashiro seconded to approve the expenditure for the facility rental fee. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

Time Limits

Chair Hazama noted that the current time limit for reports and residents' concerns is three (3) minutes.

**Lau moved and Oishi seconded to keep the time limits for reports and residents' concerns at three (3) minutes. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

Committees and Members and Designation of Committee Chairs

Chair Hazama asked the Board members to look at the list of the standing committees and decide which committees to join by the next meeting. The item was deferred until the next meeting.

FILLING OF ONE (1) AT-LARGE VACANCY – Kevin Cole introduced himself and delivered a brief introduction. Neighborhood assistant Risé Doi verified Cole's residency.

**Lau nominated Cole to fill the at-large vacancy. Cole was APPOINTED to fill the at-large vacancy, 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

**Chair Hazama called a recess at 7:28 p.m.** Doi administered the Oath of Office to Cole.

**Chair Hazama reconvened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.**

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

New Hope Central Oahu (NHCO): Resident Claudine Allen commented that she had contacted the City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) regarding the proposed construction of NHCO that will reduce the amount of available developable space in Unit 125, a space that currently has 95 residential dwellings. Allen clarified that the available developable area will decrease from 175 square feet to 80 square feet per lot. Melendrez asked and Allen answered that she was providing clarification on the issue. Chair Hazama announced that there will be a DPP hearing on Friday, September 18, 2015.

Recycling Containers: Resident James Cooper raised a concern about the noise from people recycling at the Reynolds Recycling containers near Kamelewai Gardens since the other recycling container had closed. Chair Hazama noted that the concern can be relayed to the Mayor's Office to move the containers further back. Chair Hazama commented that if the current site is closed, there will be no area for Mililani residents to recycle, and

companies and stores will have to run their own containers. Cooper noted that he has a petition regarding the noise complaints. Chair Hazama noted that Department of Health (DOH) can send someone to monitor the noise. Chair Hazama noted that the other container had to close since another wing will be built in Mililani Town Center.

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Deputy Director of the City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Jeanne Ishikawa reported the following:

- Title VI Program Report Public Hearing: There will be a Title VI Program Report public hearing from the City Department of Transportation Services Public Transit Division (DTS-PTD) held on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mission Memorial Building meeting room. As a recipient of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds, DTS-PTD is required to comply with FTA requirements that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability in all programs, activities, and services. DTS-PTD must submit a Title IV Program report and welcomes any public participation and input. All public input regarding the report will be included in the final version to be submitted to the Transportation Commission and City Council for approval. Upon approval, the report will be submitted to FTA in December 2015. For more information, call 768-8374, email [thebusstop@honolulu.gov](mailto:thebusstop@honolulu.gov), or visit <http://www.thebus.org/AboutTheBus/DraftTitleVIProgram.asp>.
- DPR Fall Programs: Check with local parks for registration for fall programs and senior activities.
- Upcoming Events: There will be a craft fair this weekend at Kapiolani Park and the Duke's Ocean Festival at Kuhio Beach Park. The Royal Hawaiian Band will be performing at the Kapiolani Bandstand on August 23, 2015 and August 30, 2015.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Ramp: There was a previous concern regarding requesting a crosswalk and ADA ramp on Makaikai Street, between Kapeha Street and Kuena Street. The City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) noted that the resident requesting the ramp needs to complete a form found on the DDC website: [http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/ddc/onlineforms/ddc\\_curb\\_ramp.pdf](http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/ddc/onlineforms/ddc_curb_ramp.pdf)
- Wikao Street: There was a letter dated Wednesday, June 24, 2015 from the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director Michael Formby to inform the neighborhood board that an investigation was completed after a concern regarding speeding on Wikao Street. The street was narrowed from 22 feet to 11 feet in each direction and a shoulder lane was demarcated. The narrowing of the lanes is intended to help deter speeding in the area.
- Traffic Study: There was a letter from Director Formby dated Monday, June 29, 2015 to inform Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang that an investigation was completed at the lower intersection of Lehiwa Drive and Meheula Parkway. The study found an installation of a left turn lane from Lehiwa Drive will promote the safe and orderly movement of traffic across Meheula Parkway. Pending available funds, the recommendation is to install an exclusive left turn lane and necessary traffic signal modification be programmed at the lower intersection of Lehiwa Drive and Meheula Parkway.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Meheula Parkway: Chair Hazama asked and Ishikawa clarified that the left turn lane would be installed at the lower intersection of Lehiwa Drive and Meheula Parkway pending the availability of funds. Chair Hazama asked what the level of service (LOS) would be if the left turn lane is installed. Ishikawa will follow up.

Council Chair Ernie Martin – Heidi Tsuneyoshi circulated a newsletter and reported the following:

- Spirit of '45 Day: Council Chair Martin proclaimed Sunday, August 16, 2015 as "Spirit of '45 Day" to honor the remaining members of the World War II generation for their service and sacrifice.
- Homelessness: There was a committee meeting today to discuss the issue of homelessness. Council Chair Martin noted that \$50 million was spent in fiscal year 2014 and over \$30 million was spent in fiscal year 2015 to address the homelessness issue. Alternative housing options are being considered.
- Hurricane Preparedness: Tsuneyoshi referred to the newsletter for tips on hurricane preparedness.
- Congratulations: Congratulations to Board member Keith Tamashiro for his promotion to Brigadier General.
- Public Hearing: There will be a DPP public hearing regarding New Hope Central Oahu.

Governor David Ige's Representative – There was no representative present; no report was provided.

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz – David Cho distributed a newsletter and reported the following:

- First Responders and Cyber Security Tech Campus: There was a meeting with first responder agencies to discuss phase II of the First Responders Cyber Security Tech campus. \$11.5 million was appropriated for the purchase of the land. The First Responders Cyber Security Tech campus is expected to create jobs in Central Oahu and reduce traffic in the commute to urban Honolulu.
- Live, Learn, Work, Play: Senator Dela Cruz met with Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART), National Security Agency (NSA), and Queens Medical Center West to discuss what careers will be in demand both immediately and in the near future so that public school curriculum in the complex area will be in alignment with the industry.
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP): \$750,000 was released for the replacement of the deteriorated wooden bleachers at Mililani High School. The estimated completion date is November 2016. \$133,033 was released for parking lot resurfacing at Mililani Middle School. The estimated completion date is not yet available. For more information about the CIP projects in District 22, visit [www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov) and search for Senator Dela Cruz's page.
- Whitmore Project: The Hawaii Farm to School Coalition met with Senator Dela Cruz to learn more about the Whitmore Project.
- Cooling Schools: The State Department of Education (DOE) cannot fund air conditioning in every school due to aging facilities and infrastructure. Technologies that are being considered to cool classrooms include solar-powered ventilators, photovoltaic air conditioning, solar lighting, increased insulation, and reflective roof coating. Air conditioning units are being accepted as donations.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. First Responders and Cyber Security Tech Campus: Tamashiro expressed support for the First Responders and Cyber Security Tech Campus. Tamashiro asked and Cho answered that the funds still need to be released. Once those funds are released, the land can be purchased. However, the land will still need infrastructure before construction of the building can begin.
2. Mililani Middle School: Chair Hazama asked and Cho responded that DOE and the City supports the State land acquisition for the Mililani Middle School expansion project. Chair Hazama asked and Cho answered that the \$1.5 million that was appropriated is for the planning and design, and funds will need to be appropriated for construction. Cho explained the options for acquiring the proposed land that is currently owned by the City. Melendrez raised a concern regarding condemnation of the land. Melendrez asked and Cho answered that there will be another community meeting within the next few months regarding the Mililani Middle School expansion project. Chair Hazama noted that the land needs to be acquired by the State before the planning and design funding is released.

Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang – A representative circulated a newsletter and reported the following:

- Public Hearing: There will be a public hearing regarding the New Hope Central Oahu facility on Friday, September 18, 2015 at the Mission Memorial Building conference room at 10:30 a.m.
- Panel: Representative Fukumoto Chang served on a technology panel at the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) in Seattle.
- Roosevelt Bridge: The State Department of Transportation (HDOT) plans to rehabilitate Roosevelt Bridge.
- Monthly Talk Story Session: Representative Fukumoto Chang will hold a talk story session on Friday, August 21, 2015 at Olaloa Retirement Community from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

Representative Marcus Oshiro – No representative was present; no report was provided.

## BOARD BUSINESS

Rideshare Vanpool Program: Kanani Iaea delivered a presentation about the Enterprise Rideshare Vanpool program. The program launched in May 2015. Between five (5) to 15 people can share a ride to decrease traffic congestion and take vehicles off the road. Enterprise has various vehicles available and covers the insurance and maintenance. There is 24/7 emergency vehicle delivery and roadside assistance. A flexible 30-day, no penalty, cancellation period is offered.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Cost: Chair Hazama asked and Iaea answered that the cost depends on the vehicle, needs of the vanpool, and commute. Fuel is included. The average savings per customer is between \$475 and \$525.

TheBus Title VI Program: Greg Segawa from DTS delivered an update regarding TheBus Title VI program. As a recipient of FTA funds, DTS-PTD is required to comply with FTA requirements that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability in all programs, activities, and services. Public transportation services must be provided in a non-discriminatory manner to all residents. DTS-PTD must submit a Title IV Program report. The draft report was provided to the Board. Electronic copies are available upon request. All public input is welcome and will be included in the final version. On Tuesday, September 1, 2015, at the Mission Memorial Building hearings room at 10:00 a.m., there will be a public hearing on Title VI. The deadline for all written comments is on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. The report will be transmitted to the FTA in December 2015.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Comment Period: Chair Hazama raised a concern that the timeframe for the comment period is short and asked if there would be an extension. Segawa will follow up.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Melendrez moved and Tamashiro seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes for June 16, 2015. The regular meeting minutes for June 16, 2015 were approved by UNANIMOUS CONSENT as published, 8-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Cole, Hazama, Hwang, Lau, Melendrez, Oishi, and Tamashiro).**

## REPORTS

Mililani Town Association: There was no report.

Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park: There was no report.

Committee Reports: Planning/Zoning: Oishi reported that the Meheula Vista Project is currently in phase I. Chair Hazama reminded the Board members that the Board will need an Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO) delegate.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting: The next Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35 meeting will be on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mililani Mauka Elementary School cafeteria, 95-1111 Makaikai Street.

Health and Wellness Fair: Community member Yvonne DeLuna announced there will be a health and wellness fair for seniors at Helemano Plantation's Wellness Center on Thursday, September 17, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Submitted By: Risé Doi, Neighborhood Assistant II; Reviewed By: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant I; Reviewed and Finalized By: Dean Hazama, Chair