



McCULLY/MO'ILI'ILI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 8

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2015 WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Ron Lockwood called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. A quorum was **ESTABLISHED with 10 members present**. Note: this 15-member Board requires eight (8) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Antonia Agbannawag, Marijane Carlos, Bryan Choe (arrived at 7:48 p.m.), Tamara Edwards, Ron Lockwood, Timothy Streitz, Thomas Tomita, Raytan Vares, Masahisa Yamaguchi, Jay Yano, and Emmanuel Zibakalam.

Board Members Absent: Juanita Kawamoto, Klement Kondratovich, and Larie Manutai.

Guests: Captain Kahekili Kealoha (Honolulu Fire Department); Jonathan Castro (Honolulu Police Department); Ronald Borromeo and Brian Lum (Board of Water Supply); Councilmember Ann Kobayashi; James Larson (Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's Office); Kevan Wong (Representative Scott Nishimoto's Office); Tom Heinrich (Senator Brian Taniguchi's Office); Kimo Mansfield; Janet Inamine; Bob Kern; Mel Mangrobang; Aaron Landry (Ala Moana-Kakaako Neighborhood Board No. 11); Clifton Takamura; Les Yamashita; Jan Wonso; videographer (DVDmodo); and Jordan Ozaki (Neighborhood Commission Office).

Rules: At this time, Chair Lockwood read the Board rules as stated on the agenda.

FILLING OF VACANCIES ON BOARD: There were no vacancies on the Board.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY LIAISON

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Kahekili Kealoha reported the following:

- **June 2015 Fire Statistics:** There were 7 structural, 1 wild land, 4 rubbish, and 0 vehicle fire(s). There were 57 medical, 2 search and rescues, and 44 miscellaneous emergency calls.
- **Fire Safety Tip:** Hurricane season in Hawaii is from June through November. HFD encourages every family to take necessary steps for hurricane preparedness. Have an evacuation plan, survival kit, and stay informed. Visit the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) website at www.honolulu.gov/dem for more information.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Cause of Fire:** Carlos asked and Captain Kealoha answered that the cause of the three (3)-alarm fire is still under investigation.

Honolulu Police Department (District 1): Sergeant Jonathan Castro reported the following:

- **July 2015 Statistics:** There were 2 motor vehicle thefts, 2 burglaries, 18 thefts, 4 unauthorized entries of motor vehicles (UEMV), 0 assaults, 0 sex assaults, 0 graffiti, 0 drugs, and 452 total calls for service.
- **Hurricane Season Safety Tip:** Have a hurricane preparedness kit with an emergency to-go kit and an emergency stay-kit. Go-kits should contain clothes, passports, medicine, and other items needed for evacuation. Listen to storm information and seek the nearest disaster shelter.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Calls:** Chair Lockwood asked and Sergeant Castro answered that the 452 calls for service were from district 1.

Honolulu Police Department (District 7): Sergeant Allen Ishida provided a handout and reported the following:

- **June and July 2015 Statistics:** In June 2015, there were 5 motor vehicle thefts, 2 burglaries, 32 thefts, and 11 unauthorized entries of motor vehicles (UEMV). In July 2015, there were 6 motor vehicle thefts, 9 burglaries, 45 thefts, 17 UEMV and 6,774 total calls for service.
- **Pedestrian Safety Tip:** Be patient when leaving the curb, and be visible to cars when crossing the street. Do not walk behind vehicles that have their reverse lights on or engines running.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Traffic Fatality:** Resident Clifton Takamura raised a concern about pedestrian safety on King Street and referenced a recent pedestrian fatality across from the McCully-Mo'ili'ili Public Library. Sergeant

Ishida suggested that residents contact the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) with suggestions on making roads safer.

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

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Chair Lockwood read a report from Director Carolee Kubo of the City Department of Human Resources (DHR):

- King Street Cycle Track: DTS reported that on Wednesday, April 8 2015, Wednesday, May 6, 2015, Tuesday, June 2, 2015, Wednesday, June 3 2015 and Thursday, June 4, 2015, there were over 700 bicyclists per day.
- McCully Street Bridge Planters: The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) noted that the Division of Urban Forestry (DUF) observed two (2) empty planters. One is heavily damaged and is irreparable; the other planter will be examined by DPR's Maintenance Support Services Branch.
- Showers at Fort DeRussy: DPR noted that the showers at the east end of Fort DeRussy are on federal property and that the Hale Koa Hotel maintains the showers.
- Ala Wai Promenade Sprinklers: DPR noted the irrigation system at the Ala Wai Promenade is in need of repair. The system has to be manually turned on while DPR staff is on duty during the day. Work order requests have been submitted for repair of the sprinkler heads, water valves, and lines.
- Mango Jam: Mango Jam will be held on Friday, August 7, 2015 from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Frank Fasi Civic Center.
- Title VI Program Report Public Hearing: On Tuesday, September 1, 2015 DTS will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. in the Mission Memorial Building meeting room.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. King Street Cycle Track: A resident asked how the ridership number was established. Resident Kimo Mansfield noted that in four (4) hours, he counted 25 bicyclists using the cycle track and 22 bicyclist who were not using the track.
2. Trees: A resident asked what type of trees were planted at Ala Wai Park.
3. Playground Update: Zibakalam asked for an update on the closed playground at the end of University Avenue, near the Ala Wai Canal.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Ronald Borromeo circulated a BWS newsletter and reported the following:

- Xeriscape Garden Workshops: The 2015-2016 Xeriscape Garden workshops schedule is available in the back of the room. Advanced registration is required. The Halawa Xeriscape garden is open to the public. Visit www.boardofwatersupply.com or call 748-5320 for more information.
- Water Main Breaks: There were no water main breaks in June 2015 or July 2015.
- Kapiolani Boulevard Main Break Construction Project: A meeting was held with Chair Lockwood to discuss the project. Questions are welcomed at this time.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Project Concerns: Resident Jan Wonso asked and BWS project manager Brian Lum answered that the project is scheduled to finish late March or early April 2016. Lum noted that pipes have been installed from McCully Street to Isenberg Street and the new and old systems are now being connected. The next phase of the project will include pipes from Isenberg Street to University Avenue. Resident Wonso raised concerns about driving over four (4)-inch metal plates. Lum noted that the plates are required to cover work that is unfinished and noted temporary asphalt is sometimes used when the road is uneven. Chair Lockwood noted that delays are expected along University Avenue.

University of Hawaii (UH) at Manoa: No representative was available; no report was provided. Chair Lockwood noted that the season opener for UH football is on Thursday, September 3, 2015, the same night as the scheduled Board meeting.

Tomita moved and Edwards seconded the motion to add an item concerning a recess in September 2015 to the agenda.

The motion to add the item to the agenda was ADOPTED by a 2/3 vote, 9-0-1 (AYE: Agbannawag, Carlos, Edwards, Lockwood, Streitz, Tomita, Yamaguchi, Yano, and Vares; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Zibakalam)

The motion to recess in September was ADOPTED by MAJORITY CONSENT, 8-1-1, (AYE: Agbannawag, Carlos, Edwards, Lockwood, Streitz, Tomita, Yamaguchi, and Yano; NAY: Vares; ABSTAIN: Zibakalam)

Kamehameha Schools: No representative was available; no report was provided.

REPORT ON MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE AT OTHER PUBLIC MEETINGS:

- BWS Meeting: Chair Lockwood noted he attended a meeting with BWS.
- Housing and Homeless Meeting: Tomita noted his attendance at the housing and homeless working group and reported the following: Hilo Hatties Iwilei property was purchased by the Weinberg Group and will not be purchased by the City to be used as a homeless facility at this time. Container homes and possible public housing locations was also discussed. The next meeting will on Monday, September 28, 2015.

RESIDENTS' CONCERNS: Moped Safety Checks: Streitz noted that Councilmember Joey Manahan introduced resolution 15-217 to urge the State Legislature to require moped safety checks.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Senator Les Ihara Jr.: No representative was present; No report was provided.

Councilmember Ann Kobayashi: Councilmember Kobayashi circulated a newsletter and reported the following:

- Sit-Lie Expansion: The City Council voted to expand the sit-lie bill on Wednesday, August 5, 2015.
- McCully Street and Kapiolani Boulevard Park: A request was made to improve maintenance of the Frank C. Judd Mini Park, across from the McCully Shopping Center.
- Crosswalks: A request was made for better lighting for the crosswalk near the McCully-Mo'ili'ili Public Library
- Homelessness: A request was made to investigate conditions near Walmart as homelessness remains an issue in the area.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Pedestrian Safety: Resident Takamura suggested that the City Council take action on decreasing pedestrian fatalities. Councilmember Kobayashi noted that many mid-block crosswalks remain a hazard and could use better lighting. Chair Lockwood noted that DTS has approved a pedestrian activated crosswalk near the McCully-Mo'ili'ili Public Library.
2. Mopeds: Resident Bob Kerns noted that State law currently requires moped checks. Councilmember Kobayashi noted that the City Council and all other county councils are putting forth a resolution asking the State legislature to institute a safety check requirement for mopeds as required for cars. Zibakalam asked and Councilmember Kobayashi answered that the request could be amended to include noise regulation. Streitz asked and Councilmember Kobayashi answered that there is currently no legislation for noise regulation. Tomita suggested that bicycles and mopeds should be separated administratively.
3. Town Hall Meeting: Chair Lockwood requested a town hall meeting on moped/scooter noise, preferably in October 2015.
4. Rail: A resident asked and Councilmember Kobayashi noted that the City Council is examining different funding mechanisms to help businesses affected by rail construction. A resident raised concerns about spending \$95,000 for a rail consultant.

Representative Della Au Belatti: No representative was available; no written report was provided.

Representative Isaac Choy: No representative was available; no written report was provided.

Representative Scott Nishimoto: Kevan Wong circulated a written report and reported the following:

- Going Green Recycling Event: There will be a Going Green #75 recycling event at Jefferson Elementary School on Saturday, August 29, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Kapahulu Bon Dance: The Kapahulu Center will be hosting its annual bon dance on Saturday, August 22, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Mopeds and Scooters Bill: Chair Lockwood asked for a copy of the moped and scooters bill that Representative Nishimoto introduced.

Representative Scott Saiki: No representative was available; a written report was provided.

Senator Brickwood Galuteria: No representative was available; a written report was provided.

Senator Les Ihara, Jr.: No representative was available; no report was provided.

Senator Brian Taniguchi: Tom Heinrich circulated a written report and reported the following:

- Kids Carnival: The Boys and Girls Club Day for Kids Carnival will be on Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Washington Middle School field.
- Emergency and Preparedness Information: Information regarding emergency preparedness can be found on the flyer. Sign up for Nixle to receive emergency email and text messages at www.nixle.com/dem.

PRESENTATIONS: Charter Commission: Tom Heinrich reported the following: The Charter Commission is convened every ten years to review City government operations in the City Charter. The Charter Commission receives proposals from agencies and the public to amend the Charter and is accepting amendment proposals through Saturday, October 31, 2015. Visit www.honoluluchartercommission.org for more information.

Questions, comments, concerns followed: Previous Amendments: Resident Takamura asked and Heinrich answered that the Charter Commission will be reviewing amendments submitted this year. Heinrich noted that a copy of the City Charter is available online and there is currently a proposal to make a printed version available for purchase.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Stop Sign Resolution Update: Chair Lockwood reported the following: DTS reviewed the Board's resolution regarding a stop sign for the Citron Street and Paani Street, and sent a memo stating that a stop sign at those streets does not meet the federal requirements.

Town Hall Meeting: Chair Lockwood asked and received Board consensus to send a letter to area legislators requesting a town hall meeting on mopeds/scooter noise before November 2015.

Designation of Committee Chairs: Chair Lockwood appointed Edwards and Kawamoto as Co-Chairs of the Parks and Gardens Committee. Streitz volunteered to be a member of the committee and suggested that resident Mary Jane Feldberg also serve on the committee. Streitz noted that there is an opportunity to collaborate with UH Manoa students on parks projects.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO): Chair Lockwood noted that OahuMPO is accepting comments on the "Draft Congestion Management Process Update to Implementation of Policies and Procedures" in writing until Friday, August 28, 2015.

Sunshine Law Training: Chair Lockwood noted that Board members must complete the Sunshine Law training by Tuesday, September 1, 2015. Neighborhood Assistant Ozaki reported that the Sunshine Law training video and self-certification form are available at www.honolulu.gov/nco. Agbannawag asked and Ozaki noted that those who have taken the Sunshine Law training within the last two (2) years do not have to get re-certified.

Bryan Choe arrived at 7:48 p.m. **11 members were present.**

NEW BUSINESS

Tsunami Report: Chair Lockwood noted that with the unveiling of a new Extreme Tsunami Evacuation Zone (XTEZ) maps, Kondratovich raised a concern about insurance rates.

Mo'ili'ili Gardens: Chair Lockwood reported that Mo'ili'ili Gardens is asking for a variance to allow a semi-enclosed structure. A hearing date has yet to be established.

Illegal Dumping: This item was deferred.

Convention Center Event: Carlos announced that the Sunset Mele on the Rooftop will be held at the Hawaii Convention Center on Saturday, August 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. The evening will feature performances, concessions, and a screening of the film "Big Hero 6." Parking will cost \$5.

HOUSEKEEPING

Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) Relocation: Chair Lockwood noted that the NCO will be relocating to Kapalama Hale in Iwilei, the former Sprint building.

Bulky Item Pick-Up: Bulking item pick up is the third (3rd) Monday of each month (August, 17, 2015). Carlos noted that recently, there was no bulky item pick-up in front of her condo.

Ala Wai Dredging: This item was deferred.

Kapiolani Hospital Renovations: There will be a meeting for phase three (3) of the Kapiolani Medical Center renovations on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kapiolani Medical Center conference room.

Oahu Mexican Grill (OMG): A liquor license for OMG will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT

June 4, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: **The June 4, 2015 minutes were ADOPTED as amended, 10-0-1 (AYE:** Carlos, Choe, Edwards, Lockwood, Streitz, Tomita, Yamaguchi, Yano, Vares, and Zibakalam; **NAY:** None; **ABSTAIN:** Agbannawag). Amendments followed:

Page 7: The resolution should read: "**Takamura moved and Kondratovich seconded to accept the resolution of the supporting of the 58th Annual Kapahulu-Mo'ili'ili Santa Parade.** Discussion followed: Amendments: Streitz asked to amend the resolution. **Streitz moved and Zibakalam seconded to amend the resolution so that under "BE IT RESOLVED" reads, "that the McCully – Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board #8 SUPPORTS this community service event." The motion was ADOPTED, 8-0-2 (Aye:** Agbannawag, Kondratovich, Nash, Streitz, Takamura, Tomita, Yamaguchi, and Zibakalam; **Nay:** none; **Abstain:** Bonin and Lockwood). **The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY as amended, 10-0-0 (Aye:** Agbannawag, Bonin, Kondratovich, Lockwood, Nash, Streitz, Takamura, Tomita, Yamaguchi, and Zibakalam). "

July 2, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: **The July 2, 2015 minutes were ADOPTED by MAJORITY CONSENT, 8-0-3 (AYE:** Carlos, Choe, Edwards, Lockwood, Tomita, Yamaguchi, Yano, and Vares **NAY:** None; **ABSTAIN:** Agbannawag, Streitz, and Zibakalam.)

By request, Chair Lockwood took the agenda back to 9. Housekeeping C. Ala Wai Canal Dredging.

Ala Wai Dredging: Heinrich asked and Chair Lockwood noted he is waiting to hear from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Ala Wai dredging project. Heinrich noted the following: The canal was last dredged in 2002. Parts of the canal walls need to be replaced, which is a separate task from dredging. Details regarding the Ala Wai Canal Project scoping study public comment period should be announced through the Office of Economic Quality Control bulletin within the coming months.

Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) Cables: Chair Lockwood noted that comments on the draft environmental assessment from HECO to run cables below the canal from Kamoku Street must be submitted by Wednesday, August 26, 2015.

Treasurer's Report: Chair Lockwood reported a remaining balance of \$485.91 and a total spending \$40.09 for July 2015. The report was filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Chair Lockwood asked Board members to contact him for any interest for Committees to be established at the August 2015 regular meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chair Lockwood announced the following: The next regular meeting of the McCully-Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board No. 8 will be held on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Washington Middle School cafeteria.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted By: Jordan Ozaki, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed By: Uyen Vong, Neighborhood Assistant I;
Klement Kondratovich, Secretary
Reviewed and Finalized By: Ron Lockwood, Chair