

#### MAKAKILO/KAPOLEI/HONOKAI HALE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 34

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## <u>DRAFT</u> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018 KAPOLEI HALE – CONFERENCE ROOM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Chair Pro Tem Evelyn Souza called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. **Quorum was established with eight (8) members present.** Note – This nine (9) member board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and take official Board action.

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Evelyn Souza, Troy C. Cullen, Dean Kalani Capelouto, Kioni Dudley, Scott Stensrud, Melanie Gonzalez, Jack Legal and Kanani Wond.

**Board Members Absent: None** 

<u>Guests</u>: Fire Fighters Aaron Abergos, Mitchell Pang, Kelly Smith, and Captain Edward Lee (Honolulu Fire Department); Officer William Beckley (Honolulu Police Department); Timothy Hiu (Deputy Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting, Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Meg Turner (Senator Mike Gabbard's Office); Pat Lee (Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transit); Steve Vendt (Hawaiian Railway); Richard Levine (Councilmember Kymberly Pine's Office); Wendee Wilson and Jordan Ragasa (Representative Sharon Har's Office); Heidi Armstrong (Department of Education – Complex Area Superintendent); Michael K. Lee; Kathy Davenport (Blue Zones); Victor Flint (Naval Facilities Engineering Command); Frank Genadio, Thad Spreg, Jake Schafer, Mick Ferreira, Germaine Meyers, Karen Awana, Kiran Polk, Cynthia Spencer, and Jackie Zhan (Residents); Relley Araceley (Neighborhood Commission Office).

ROLE CALL: Community Relations Specialist Relley Araceley took the role. Eight (8) members were present.

FILLING OF BOARD VACANIES (Five (5) votes required to fill the vacancy)

## **Dudley nominated Thad Spreg.**

#### Stensrud nominated Kathy Davenport.

<u>Thad Spreg</u>: Spreg gave a short speech regarding his prior experience on the board and asked if the board members who voted "no" previously could explain why. Legal noted concern with Spreg's previous attitude toward the rail reports.

<u>Kathy Davenport</u>: Davenport gave a short speech regarding her experience in the community and her passion to get work done.

<u>Mick Ferreira</u>: Ferreira gave a short speech regarding his experience in the community and requested possible membership on board committees.

No nominee was appointed. (Votes recorded were four (4) for SPREG: Capelouto, Dudley, Souza, and Wond; and four (4) for DAVENPORT: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal, and Stensrud)

Stensrud noted frustration with the inability to fill the vacancy and noted that a request should be made to the Neighborhood Commission to fill the vacancy.

Cullen moved and Stensrud seconded that the board request the Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) look into assisting the Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34 with filling the vacancy.

## Discussion followed:

• <u>Community</u>: Capelouto, Wond, Dudley and Legal noted that the business of the community is currently being served and that if the NCO were to take action it would negate the community's role in the neighborhood board.

• <u>Difficulty</u>: Stensrud noted that the issue has taken too much time out of the beginning of each meeting and suggested that the first responders be placed earlier in future agendas. Cullen stated that people have noted frustration with the board's inability to move forward. Cullen stated that the NCO could appoint the person with the next highest votes to fill the vacancy.

The motion was NOT PASSED by HANDS VOTE 2-6-0; (AYE: Stensrud and Cullen; NAY: Capelouto, Dudley, Gonzales, Legal, Souza and Wond).

Hearing no objections Chair Pro Tem Souza moved the agenda to item VI.

## CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Edward Lee reported the following:

- <u>Drone</u>: HFD's Drone Program is currently under research and development. HFD did not have drones operating in the area to detect firework use. The Honolulu Police Department (HPD) handles enforcement of illegal fireworks.
- <u>December 2017 Statistics</u>: There were 4 structure fires, 1 wildland/brush fire, 1 cooking fire, 26 activated alarms, 205 medical emergencies, 5 motor vehicles crashes/collisions, and 3 hazardous materials incidents.
- Fire Safety Tip: To keep children safe from fires:
  - Keep matches and lighters up high
  - o Closely supervise children
  - o Use your child's curiosity to teach them about fire safety.
  - o Teach children to never touch matches or lighters
  - o Talk to children about what their friends are doing with fire or what they see on social media

Questions, comments and concerns followed: <u>Missile Threat</u>: Capelouto asked and Captain Lee responded that he was on duty on that day and that HFD was given the "all-clear" earlier than the community received it. The station was closed down and it is recommended that residents get indoors and stay tuned for updates. Capelouto asked whether there are stores of potassium iodide. Captain Lee will follow up. Resident Michael Lee responded that purple and red "limu" (algae) have high natural amounts of potassium iodide.

<u>Honolulu Police Department (HPD)</u>: Watch Commander William Beckley reported the following <u>December 2017 Statistics</u>: There were 58 motor vehicle thefts, 60 burglaries, 181 thefts, and 78 unauthorized entry into motor vehicles (UEMV).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Speeding</u>: Stensrud noted speeding issues along Kama'aha Avenue in the mornings while children are crossing the streets to get to school and requested more police presence. Officer Beckley responded that speeding enforcement is the highest priority in the area and that enforcement has occurred in the area, but will forward the information.
- 2. <u>Trespassing</u>: Resident Jackie Zhan noted a concern with a homeless individual in her neighborhood that has created various issues. Officer Beckley noted that the individual has to be issued a prior warning regarding trespassing in a particular area before HPD can arrest the person for trespassing. Officer Beckley noted that residents can Google a trespassing warning citation language. Officer Beckley encouraged residents to continue to call HPD. Resident Germaine Meyers asked if a video recording could help with a possible arrest. Officer Beckley noted that the video could be submitted to HPD and then the Prosecutor's Office would issue an arrest warrant.

Chair Pro Tem returned the order of the agenda.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Hearing no objections the Elections of Officers was deferred.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017 BOARD MEETING
The December 6, 2017 minutes were APPROVED AS WRITTEN by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 8-0-0; (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Gonzales, Legal, Stensrud, Wond, and Souza; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

#### CITY MONTHLY REPORTS (continued):

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

- Main Break: There was one (1) 12-inch ductal iron main break in December 2017 on 91-1129 Kumuiki Street that was installed in 1991.
- Water Rate Tiers and Conservation: BWS is currently trying to encourage conservation by revising the current tiered rates. A possible option is to reduce the top tier rates to 21,000 gallons instead of 33,000 gallons as well as other possible options. In the next six (6) months BWS will be examining their rate models. BWS is working on a presentation for the Neighborhood Boards and any other interested groups. Anyone requesting the presentation can contact Keoni Mattos at 748-5369. BWS will also be scheduling four (4) public hearings regarding the rate changes.
- Reservoir Sealants: No response was available yet regarding Cullen's previous PCB reservoir sealant concerns. Adachi will continue to follow up.
- Nohohale and Palailai Street: The pavement buckling was not due to a main break and could have been ground settlement issues.
- Makakilo Planting Strip: BWS field crews cut and cleaned the area last month.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Conservation Program</u>: Wond asked and Adachi clarified that the program would essential charge less for less water usage. A family of four (4) roughly uses 10,000-11,000 gallons of water per month. Wond asked and Adachi responded that the rates are for residential use.
- 2. <u>Water Quality</u>: Capelouto noted concerns with BWS water testing at only the water-well sources. Adachi clarified that BWS does conduct tests at various points in the service and that the customer confidence reports display data from the source as it pertains to everyone living in the area.
- 3. Rates: Chair Souza asked and Adachi stated that people will pay for what they use.

# **BOARD BUSINESS:**

Report/discussion regarding State report on the 0807 Saturday, January 14, 2018 Missile Alert: No person was present to give the presentation.

Discussion/action about the Pueo (Hawaiian owl) Habitat at the University of Hawaii West Oahu Campus (UHWO): Michael Lee presented a resolution requesting 150-acres of private development lands at the University of Hawaii West Oahu Campus be dedicated as a habitat conservation preserve. M. Lee requested Capelouto read aloud the proposed resolution. M. Lee noted that resolution should be introduced in the 2019 Hawaii State Legislative session. M. Lee then gave a short visual presentation and reported the following:

- <u>Makai Parcel</u>: M. Lee suggested the mauka portion of the displayed parcels be used for development by UHWO. M. Lee noted the peuo is found in the gulch in the makai parcel due to the soft earth being optimal for the nesting birds.
- <u>Sighting</u>: M. Lee noted that Dr. Javier-Cotton's baseline study found 11 credible sightings in 60 areas of six (6) different regions. M. Lee noted concerns with the study underestimating the actual number of pueo based on the bird's natural flight patterns.

<u>Senate Bill 570</u>: M. Lee requested and Capelouto read the proposed Senate Bill 570 (SB 570) regarding a two year comprehensive study on the pueo in Oahu. M. Lee noted that Senator Espero will be introducing the bill. M. Lee noted that insufficient habitat is the greatest challenge to the peuo population.

Questions, comments, and concerns for the previous two topics followed:

- 1. <u>2019 Change</u>: Legal asked and M. Lee clarified that he is requesting to change the effective date of both the resolution and the bill to 2019 to allow everyone a chance to address their concerns.
- 2. <u>Makai Land</u>: Legal asked and M. Lee noted that the land mauka is deemed more valuable for development. Legal asked and M. Lee responded that the land that is being asked for is currently being interim-leased as farmland.
- 3. <u>Current Action</u>: Stensrud noted confusion that currently a study is being conducted and yet another bill and resolution is being proposed. M. Lee noted that the current ask is to push everything to 2019. Stensrud stated that UHWO was originally slated to be built on the mauka side but ran into cost issues. Capelouto noted that a delay in action could be lead to decreasing numbers of the pueo.
- 4. <u>Support</u>: Dudley, Legal, and Wond noted support for the resolution and bill. Meyers disclosed her membership with the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36 and that her statements depict her personal views. Meyers gave historical information of the pueo in the area. Meyers distributed images she took of the ipu heke. Resident Marissa Kerns voiced her support and encouraged federal involvement.

Legal moved and Wond seconded that both the resolution and bill proposed by Michael Lee be amended to be effective in 2019. The motion was APPROVED by HAND 7-1-0; (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Gonzales, Legal, Wond, and Souza; NAY: Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None.)

Legal moved and Wond seconded that the Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board No. 34 support the bill and resolution presented by Michael Lee as amended in the previous motion. The motion was APPROVED by HAND 7-1-0; (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Gonzales, Legal, Wond, and Souza; NAY: Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None.)

<u>Resolution on Deterring Further Development on Farmlands</u>: Dudley provided copies of the proposed resolution, a visual presentation and reported the following:

- <u>Population</u>: The world population has shown progressive growth and food production will need to increase to meet that. Hawaii imports 90% of the food eaten.
- <u>Farmland</u>: 34,000 acres are needed to feed the population of Oahu as well as livestock areas. Agriculture courses also need to be reinstated in the schools within the next 30 years.
- <u>Current Development</u>: Dudley noted that some of the more prevalent developments (Ho'opili, Koa Ridge, etc.) is being planned for land that is currently used for farming. Dudley noted that the land currently planned for Hoopili provides a large amount of food.
- Rainfall: Dudley provided depictions of projected rainfall decreasing around Oahu and noted that shifting trade winds is adversely affecting rainfall for the island. Dudley provided various depictions of the Oahu water cycle including the aquifers.
- Resolution: Dudley asked the board to support his resolution.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Concerns</u>: Stensrud noted various ways that other states/cities have addressed issues with population growth and that Hawaii has a high consumption of processed food but 90% may be a high estimate. Stensrud also noted that studies have shown that livestock usage of land is the least efficient use of land. Stensrud voiced support for protecting farmland. Legal noted that housing and homelessness is currently being addressed at the State Legislature. Legal noted concerns with some language in the resolution.
- 2. <u>Developers</u>: Wond voiced the need to hold developers to higher standards due to the high value of the land.
- 3. Support: Capelouto noted support for preserving agricultural land.

Capelouto moved and Wond seconded that the board support the resolution on Deterring Further Development on Farmlands. The motion was NOT PASSED by ROLL CALL VOTE 4-4-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Souza, and Wond; NAY: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal, and Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None).

- 4. <u>Compromise</u>: Resident Frank Genadio noted that a compromise was proposed in the beginning of discussions but none was made.
- 5. <u>Farming</u>: Ferreira noted that various community programs are being tested to try and instigate agricultural usage and knowledge.

Dudley exited the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Seven (7) members present.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Souza reported a remaining balance of \$343.94.

#### COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Door App: Ferreira noted his involvement with the Next Door App and that he and HPD are working
  on a program to provide speed surveys and outreach in area "hotspots". Crosswalk surveys are also being
  conducted.
- <u>Hawaiian Railway</u>: Steve Vendt reported that the current stalemate continues and that they can maintain
  the regular tracks but cannot repair the other tracks. Vendt stated that the Department of Transportation
  (HDOT) seems to not care who fixes the tracks.
- <u>Kapolei Schools</u>: Hiedi Armstrong, Complex Area Superintendent, reported that the Kapolei Elementary Schools held a Family Engagement Day on Monday, January 22, 2018. Development of East Kapolei Middle School has been delayed due to a protest in the current bids. The Department of Education (DOE) is requesting \$62 million in additional funding for East Kapolei Middle School. \$1 million is also being requested for the design-build-process for East Kapolei Elementary School. \$31 million is requested for a

new building at Kapolei High School. The Principal for Kapolei Elementary School, Cindy Otsu, has been nominate to receive the Masayuki Tokioka award.

#### Questions, comments and concerns followed:

- 1. <u>Family Engagement Day</u>: Wond asked and Armstrong clarified that the elementary schools in the Kapolei Complex Area participated.
- 2. <u>Middle School</u>: Legal asked and Armstrong responded that the school being built behind the Kroc Center will be a Middle School to serve students in grades 6 to 8.
- 3. <u>Missile Threat</u>: Capelouto asked and Armstrong answered that school counselors are prepared to work with the children and that behavioral health specialists are on-call. Capelouto asked if the schools are doing something as a whole. Armstrong clarified that the counseling is for students who may have experienced personal trauma, but that schools are reviewing their shelter-in-place protocols as well as practicing their drills

#### COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

 Hokuleia: Maeda Timson reported that the Hokuleia will be docked at Ko Olina from January 26 to February 2 and free educational tours are available. Tours will generally run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. More information can be found at www.hokuleia.com.

Dudley returned to the meeting at 9:30 p.m. Eight (8) members were present.

#### MONTHLY REPORTS

<u>Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative</u>: Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) Deputy Director Timothy Hiu circulated the Oahu News and reported the following:

- Housing: 90 alternative dwelling units (ADUs) were completed by December 20, 2017, 19 building permits
  issued with 40 awaiting pick up. In November of 2017, 161 people were moved into permanent housing
  from various homeless programs.
- Parks: 63 comfort stations were recently renovated. 65 new/refurbished play apparatus were completed.
   177 play courts resurfaced. A sand mattress program was implemented to address erosion at Kuhio Beach.
   The public was given an update on the status of the Natatorium War Memorial with the Environmental Impact Statement to be completed by summer 2018. Four (4) alternatives are being discussed.
- Bus: Bus Route No. 2 has been permanently expanded to 24 hour service.
- Roads: As of 2017 1,774 lane miles has been repaired.
- Oahu Bike Plan: The Oahu Bike Plan public update meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at Kapolei Hale from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Makakilo Drive U-Turn: The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will issue a work order (reference Paint and Sign Work Order No. 133208) to the Department of Facility Maintenance to install a "Right Turn on Red Must Yield to U-Turn" sign to remind motorists on Palailai Street attempting to turn right with a red signal that they must yield to conflicting U-Turn traffic on Makakilo Drive, in accordance with the Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 291C-32(3)(B). The work order will also replace a conflicting No U-turn sign facing northbound traffic in the median on Makakilo Drive with a "U-Turn OK Except Large Trucks and Buses" sign.
- <u>Upper Makakilo Drive Paving Project</u>: The current striping laid is a temporary striping. The permanent striping will be completed by April 2018.
- Missile Launch False Alarm:
  - The State Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HEMA) has a Ballistic Shelter Guidance website to help you pick the most appropriate place to shelter <a href="https://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/files/2017/12/HI-EMA-guidance-analysis-nuclear-detonation-JUN-2017-1.pdf">https://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/files/2017/12/HI-EMA-guidance-analysis-nuclear-detonation-JUN-2017-1.pdf</a>.
  - o For information on Ballistic Missile threats and frequently asked questions please see <a href="https://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/files/2017/08/HI-EMA-BMD-Question-and-Answer-SEP-2017.pdf">https://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/files/2017/08/HI-EMA-BMD-Question-and-Answer-SEP-2017.pdf</a>
  - The City is currently working with the State to address some of the recent concerns. The City was aware of the false alarm within five (5) minutes but was unable to provide a notification as it was a State program.

## Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. <u>Cars:</u> Stensrud raised a previous concern about abandoned vehicles not being removed and asked if the City has a pickup schedule. Deputy Hiu noted that the City has a current issue with storage space for the

- vehicles as well as the dilemma with military personnel-owned vehicles. Wond suggested letters be sent to the owners of the vehicles to inform them of incurred fees.
- 2. <u>Street Assessment</u>: Wond asked if the schedule for physical street assessments along Kama'aha Avenue is still set for February 2018. Deputy Hiu will follow up.
- 3. <u>Farrington Highway</u>: Dudley asked for an update on the road repair schedule for Kamokila Boulevard / Farrington Highway between Wakea Street to Ulu' Ohi'a Street.
- 4. Renewable Energy: Capelouto asked and Hiu responded that the City is attempting to change all City buses and ground transportation vehicles to renewable energy, not private vehicles.
- 5. <u>Screen Line Counter</u>: Genadio requested HDOT screen line counters on Makakilo Drive between the H1 and Palailai Street.

Governor David Ige's Representative: No representative was present; a newsletter was provided.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART): On the west side, work continues on the rail project with all nine (9) stations from Aloha Stadium to East Kapolei under construction to be completed in time for the interim opening of the first 10 miles to revenue passenger service in late 2020. Construction on the Airport Guideway and Stations segment. including five (5) miles of guideway and four (4) stations between Aloha Stadium and Middle Street, is underway. Work on the City Center guideway and stations between Middle Street and Ala Moana Center is proceeding with planning, engineering and advanced utility relocation work for the City Center segment. HART is evaluating public private partnership opportunities (P3/PPP) for this final segment of the rail system and has hired the firm of Ernst and Young Infrastructure Advisors as the P3 consultant. HART is concentrating on risk management and cost containment, as risk is a big factor in construction expenses and change orders due to unknown field conditions such as discovery of existing underground utilities in the wrong place or not identified on "as built" maps and drawings, particularly in the Dillingham corridor. HART and DTS continue the planning and coordination for bus-rail integration in anticipation of the start of revenue passenger service. The full 20-mile system's operation to Ala Moana Center is pending the completion of the contract and segment, with a target date of December 2025. The HART poster contest is open to all Oahu high school students, grades 9 through 12. Entries are due by Wednesday, February 28, 2018. Entries can be submitted to HART's office, or students can drop off posters at any Public Library branch on Oahu between February 20 and 28, 2018. Details can be found on the project website www.honolulutransit.org, call the project hotline at 566-2299 or email at info@honolulutransit.org.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: <u>Place Names</u>: Capelouto noted that HART may be sending out a retraction notice regarding some errors on a few naming conventions. P. Lee will follow up.

<u>Senator Mike Gabbard</u> – A newsletter was provided and Meg Turner reported that the next Listen Story would be held on Saturday, January 27, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Ewa Mahiko Park. The Senator co-hosted an informational briefing earlier today regarding the State's Biosecurity Plan. Turner read the statement that was provided to board members regarding pueo legislation in 2018.

Senator Maile Shimabukuro: No representative was present; no report was provided.

Representative Sharon Har: A newsletter was provided and Wendee Wilson reported the following events: the "Beginning-of-Session Talk Story" will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Kapolei High School (KHS) Teacher's Lounge; the Keiki Wellness Resource Fair will be held on Friday, February 9, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Ka Makana Ali'l; and the Kapolei Clean and Green Day will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the KHS parking lot.

Representative Andria Tupola: No representative was present; no report was provided.

Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA): No representative was present; no report was provided.

State Representative Ty Cullen: A report was provided but no representative was present.

Councilmember Kymberly Pine: A report was provided.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Relley Araceley, Community Relations Specialist

Reviewed by: