



MAKAKILO/KAPOLEI/HONOKAI HALE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 34

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018 KAPOLEI HALE – CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Pro Tem Evelyn Souza called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **Quorum was established with five (5) 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, Troy C. Cullen, Kioni Dudley, Mick Ferreira (appointed at this meeting), Melanie Gonzalez, Jack Legal, Scott Stensrud, Evelyn Souza, and Kanani Wond.

Board Members Absent: None

Guests: Fire Fighters Aaron Abergos, Mitchell Pang, Kelly Smith, and Captain Edward Lee (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Rommel Baysa (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); Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply); Heidi Armstrong (Department of Education – Complex Area Superintendent); Victor Flint (Naval Facilities Engineering Command); Johnny Reid, Jake Schafer, Frank Genadio, Thad Spreg, Mindy Ferreira, Sam Timoteo, Svea Breckberg, Steve Motchnik, Terry Weld, Kevin Rathbun, and Jackie Zhan (Residents); Relley Araceley (Neighborhood Commission Office).

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

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

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): No representative was present.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Rommel Baysa reported the following **January 2018 Statistics:** There were 51 motor vehicle thefts, 38 burglaries, 184 thefts, and 147 unauthorized entry into motor vehicles (UEMV).

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

- **Main Break:** There was one (1) eight (8)-inch ductal iron main break in January 2018 on 92-131 Amaui Place that was installed in 1993.
- **Affordability and Customer Assistance:** BWS is considering changes to how rates are structured, including the possibility of creating a new rate tier that would be for "Essential" needs - enough water for our customers' basic uses at a low cost. Customers who use the least amount of water would see their bills either stay the same or perhaps decrease a bit. To help with bill payment, in addition to our tiered rate structure, BWS has moved to monthly billing; provide zero interest, case-by-case payment plans; multiple steps and accommodations to avoid turn-off; provide bill adjustments for underground leaks; and offer referrals to community social-service support organizations like Helping Hands and Catholic Charities. BWS has been meeting with their Stakeholder Advisory Group since 2015. All meetings are publicly noticed and open. Board meetings are also shown on Olelo. Meeting locations, dates and times, are posted at www.boardofwatersupply.com.
- **Survey:** A recent survey for customers and stakeholders showed the top things being requested:
 - Over 55% believe BWS should have a very low rate to ensure affordability and reward conservation.
 - About 66% want to see a decrease in water main breaks.
 - Nearly 80% believe it is very important to replace more pipeline to prevent the number of breaks from rising.
 - To view all the results, go to www.boardofwatersupply.com and a link on the home page will take you to the results.
- **Reservoir Sealants:** In response to Cullen's previous PCB question Adachi reported that federal and state law require BWS to test our drinking water for many different types of contaminants, including PCBs. The

Environment Protection Agency (EPA) maximum contaminant level for PCBs is 0.5ppb, and the water system continues to be in compliance with all federal and state standards for drinking water.

- Nohohale and Palailai Street: The pavement buckling may have been due to a leaking lateral. BWS will continue to follow-up.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Kaupea Jurisdiction: Wond asked and Adachi answered that BWS is not responsible for sewage lines. Adachi clarified that if water pipes are installed then it might be turned over to BWS.
2. Makakilo Hill Tank: Dudley asked about the tenting around the water tank at the top of the Makakilo hill. Adachi will follow up.
3. Tank Check: Cullen asked and Adachi responded that the water tanks are guaranteed to be checked at least once a year. Cullen clarified that his request is how often BWS test the water from the reservoirs itself.
4. Rate Increase: Legal asked and Adachi stated that BWS is still going through the study of determining possible rate changes.

Chair Pro Tem Souza returned the order of the agenda.

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

Stensrud nominated Johnny Reid. Capelouto nominated Mick Ferreira. Dudley nominated Terry Welch.

Johnny Reid: Reid gave a short speech about his life growing up in Hawaii and his current work with the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART).

Mick Ferreira: Ferreira gave a short speech regarding his experience in the community and his current work with the Department of Defense (DOD). Ferreira requested possible membership on a board committee.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Work: Dudley asked and Ferreira responded that he is a property manager for the DOD and that he is a civilian employee. Ferreira noted that he works in the same wing of the building as Commander Cullen. Cullen clarified that the Ferreira works as part of the bigger organization but is not a part of the same chain-of-command. Legal asked and Ferreira responded that he is licensed as a real estate broker in Hawaii and is part of the Hawaiian Association of Realtors. Legal stated that he was unaware of Ferreira's membership and would follow up.

Terry Welch: Welch introduced himself as a possible compromise and hoped to help with assisting the board with their organization. Welch noted his presence in Makakilo since 1986.

General questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Development: Wond asked about the candidates feeling towards development with the demand on infrastructure. Welch responded that traffic and road conditions are major issues. Welch noted that the rail project is over time and over budget. Welch noted that Makakilo has a lot of assets within the community. Reid deferred discussing the rail project, but likes the development that is occurring within the area and agrees that the roads need repair. Ferreira noted support for the rail project and stated that the BART project in San Francisco was a difficult project as well.
2. Aloha: Cullen asked the candidates for their understanding of "Aloha". Ferreira responded that aloha is a feeling and how you treat the people around you. Reid noted agreement with Ferreira's statements and noted that it also deals with how you interact with people. Welch stated that aloha is about respect, sharing, and caring.

No nominee was appointed by ROLL CALL vote. (Votes recorded were four (4) for FERREIRA: Capelouto, Legal, Souza, and Wond; three (3) for REID: Cullen, Gonzales, and Stensrud; and one (1) for WELCH: Dudley)

The vote to fill the vacancy was taken by the board again.

Mick Ferreira was appointed to fill the vacancy by ROLL CALL vote (5-3-0); (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Legal, Souza, and Wond; REID: Cullen, Gonzales, and Stensrud; WELCH: None).

Chair Pro Tem Souza called a recess to administer the Oath of Office to Mick Ferreira.

Mick Ferreira sat on the board at 7:50 p.m. **Nine (9) members were present.**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair: **Capelouto nominated Dudley to serve as Chair. Gonzalez nominated Stensrud to serve as Chair.**

Questions, comment, and concerns followed:

1. Dudley: Dudley gave a short speech about hopes to reconcile the board with Councilmember Pine and other elected officials to increase their attendance at the meetings. Dudley noted he would work with all the board members as he believes opposition is good for discussion.
2. Stensrud: Noted a commitment to discussing neighborhood issues that directly affects the neighborhood areas.
3. Comments: Legal stated concerns that Dudley may be more of an activist for the community than a board chair. Cullen noted the board may need a new beginning with new leadership to instigate the attendance of the community. Capelouto noted that Dudley is passionate about the issues and that there are instances where they do not agree. Dudley voiced appreciation for all the statements made.

Dudley was elected as the chair by ROLL CALL vote, 5-4-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Ferreira, Souza, and Wond; STENSRUD: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal and Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None).

First Vice Chair: **Souza nominated Capelouto. Cullen nominated Stensrud.**

Capelouto was elected as the first vice chair 5-4-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Ferreira, Souza, and Wond; STENSRUD: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal and Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None).

Second Vice Chair: **Souza nominated Legal. Cullen Nominated Stensrud.**

Stensrud was elected as the second vice chair by ROLL CALL vote, 5-4-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Gonzales, Legal, Wond, and Ferreira; LEGAL: Dudley, Souza, and Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None).

Secretary: **Capelouto nominated Ferreira.**

Ferreira was elected as secretary by SHOW OF HANDS vote, 5-4-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Ferreira, Souza, and Wond; STENSRUD: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal and Stensrud; ABSTAIN: None).

Treasurer: **Capelouto nominated Wond.**

Wond was elected as treasurer by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 9-0-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Ferreira, Gonzales, Legal, Stensrud, Wond, and Souza; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

BOARD BUSINESS:

Status report concerning schools in the Leeward District – Heidi Armstrong reported the following:

- Kapolei Middle School Emergency Response: There was a recent terroristic threat phoned-in against Kapolei Middle School. The Department of Education (DOE) takes these threats seriously and are considered Class A student conduct offenses. Proactive measures were taken with the HPD and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).
- Upcoming School Update: East Kapolei Middle School's bid protest was resolved but there is a possibility for an appeal. The school is scheduled to open right behind the Kroc Center for the 2020 school. \$64 million is being asked for Phase 2 of East Kapolei Middle School. \$1 million is being asked to begin work on East Kapolei Elementary School which may be located near the East Kapolei Middle School site or on the Ho'opili site. \$32 million is being requested for a new building at Kapolei High School. East Kapolei High School has funding for the design phase and is currently looking for possible sites. DOE is working with the City to widen Farrington Highway in the necessary areas to address increased traffic.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Farrington Highway: Souza asked and Armstrong responded that the school would front Farrington Highway near Aloun Farms there is work with the City and County of Honolulu to widen the road.

2. Protest: Wond asked and Armstrong responded that the protest was part of the bidding process. The East Kapolei Elementary school is still in the process of securing a location which might be on Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) land or within Ho'opili.
3. Kapolei Middle: Wond asked if Kapolei Middle School is on DHHL lands. Armstrong will follow up.
4. Public Input: Stensrud asked if public input is part of the process for selecting the new school sites. Armstrong responded that there are multiple factors to the selection and that the community will continue to be updated. Armstrong noted that the current stages are still early. Stensrud clarified that the request is if the public will be called upon to provide input on possible sites. Armstrong noted that it is not currently planned.
5. East Kapolei Middle: Capelouto asked and Armstrong clarified that the site for East Kapolei Middle has already been selected. Capelouto voiced strong concerns about the site being endangered Pueo habitat and the lack of ANY community input on the site selected.
6. Shelters: Dudley noted that new developments should take hurricane shelters into consideration.

Chair Dudley requested the board move the agenda back to item "V" for the approval of minutes. Araceley noted that the incorrect minutes were cited on the agenda and the board deferred the January 2018 minutes to the next meeting.

Hurricane Shelters in the District and House Bill 2693 (HB2693) – Svea Breckberg provided a handout and read from her letter requesting support for more "safe" hurricane shelters and support for HB 2693 where if an emergency alert is issued, places of public accommodation (hotels, apartments, condominiums, hospitals and healthcare facilities) could not deny you shelter. Breckberg noted that the current plan to shelter-in-place is not effective. Breckberg stated that the schools are only structured to withstand Category 1 hurricanes. Breckberg noted that another legislative bill would create a pilot program to ensure that one (1) school in each of the counties be upgrade to Category 3 sheltering.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Public accommodations: Capelouto asked what is meant by "public accommodations" and noted concern with forcing private property to open their facilities to the public. Breckberg noted that it is addressing hotels, apartments, condominiums, hospitals and healthcare facilities. Stensrud stated that the bill notes individuals won't be allowed to drive onto the property but anyone on the property or in the immediate vicinity could not be kicked-out.
2. Kapolei Local Emergency Action Network (KLEAN): Resident Jake Schafer introduced himself as a disaster preparedness response and recovery expert. Schafer urged the public to testify in support because every \$1 spent in preparedness is equal to \$6 spent in response. KLEAN will be holding an exercise on Friday, March 16, 2018, simulating response efforts to a Category 4 hurricane.

Capelouto moved and Souza seconded that the board support HB2693 and send a statement to the Senate. The motion was APPROVED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 9-0-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Ferreira, Gonzales, Legal, Stensrud, Wond, and Souza; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

Senate Bill 2525 (SB2525) and Senate Concurrent Resolution 2508 (SCR2508) – Dudley noted SB2525 would create a new Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) in Kapolei and dissolve the Kakaako HCDA.

Chair Dudley passed the gavel to Vice Chair Capelouto.

Dudley noted that the HCDA in Kakaako was unaware of the proposal at their most recent hearing. Dudley noted objection to the East Kapolei HCDA. Dudley noted it seems that the transit-oriented development (TOD) plans were being pushed.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Community Input: Capelouto noted being a formal member of HCDA and noted the consistent absence of a HCDA representative at the board meetings. Capelouto voiced frustration with HCDA not being as connected with the community. Capelouto voiced concern with the lack of transparency with the Kalealoa Community Network meetings. Wond requested more community input with HCDA. Stensrud asked if the bill was provided to the board. Souza stated that the bills could be found online.
- Committee: Legal noted that other boards create committees and that the board should create a legislative-focused committee. Capelouto noted that the elected officials of the area should either be endorsing it or bringing it before the community.

The board created the Legislative Committee. Mick Ferreira was appointed as the committee chair. Hearing no objections the Legislative Committee was created by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 9-0-0 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Ferreira, Gonzales, Legal, Stensrud, Wond, and Souza; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.)

Capelouto moved and Souza seconded that the board oppose SB2525 and SCR2508 due to a lack of community input to (1) establish the East Kapolei Community Development District to guide the development of the east Kapolei area, including the area specified in the east Kapolei neighborhood transient-oriented development plan; (2) repeal the Kakaako Community Development District; and (3) replace the Kakaako Community Development District representatives on the Hawaii Community Development Authority with representatives from the East Kapolei Community Development District. The motion was APPROVED by SHOW OF HANDS vote, 5-0-4 (AYE: Capelouto, Dudley, Ferreira, Souza, and Wond; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Cullen, Gonzales, Legal, and Stensrud).

Senate Bill 2078 (SB2078) – Capelouto noted the bill would appropriate funds for a two (2)-year breeding and foraging ecology study.

- Study: Souza asked why there is another request for more funding for another study. Wond noted that the original study did not cover everything that needed to be researched in regard to the pueo on Oahu.
- Bill Status: Legal asked and Meg Turner answered that Senator Gabbard is the chair for the Senate Agriculture and Environment Committee (AEN). SB2078 was introduced by Senator Gabbard. The bill was passed by the Senate Ways and Means Committee (WAM) and will be presented to the floor on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

Legal moved and Wond seconded that the board support SB2078 and submit a letter of support to the legislature. The motion was APPROVED by SHOW OF HANDS, 8-0-1 (AYE: Capelouto, Cullen, Dudley, Ferreira, Gonzales, Legal, Stensrud, and Wond; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Souza.)

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wond reported a monthly expenditure of \$20.97 and a remaining balance of \$322.97.

COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Rail: Frank Genadio voiced concerns with the current status of the rail project and its budgetary shortfalls. Genadio stated presence at the Wednesday, February 21, 2018 Council hearing to oppose Bill 42. Genadio encouraged the community to be more aware of what is being proposed to fund the rail project.
- School Safety: Schafer voiced concerns with school safety after the recent school shooting in Florida and voiced concerns with Representative Har accepting campaign donations from the National Rifle Association (NRA).

MONTHLY REPORTS

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

- Kahauiki Village: The public-private partnership affordable housing community welcomed its first families in January 2018. The project will house 54% of Oahu's homeless families when completed and fully occupied. The final 123 units are expected to be completed in 2019 for a total of 153 units.
- Gold Star ID: The Gold Star on your State ID and Hawaii Driver's License marks federal compliance with the REAL ID Act. Compliance will not take effect until October 2020 so residents are urged not to rush to renew their licenses.
- Ala Moana Master Plan: A public meeting was held on Monday, January 29, 2018. The public will have additional opportunities to comment when the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is published around the summer of 2018.
- Streetlight Conversion: Over 53,000 City streetlights will be converted to light-emitting diodes (LEDs). For more information please visit www.myoahustreetlight.com.
- Abandoned Vehicles: The Customer Services Department (CSD) reports that the City recently faced numerous challenges involving the timely removal of abandoned and derelict vehicles from the public roadways. CSD has been actively working on and hope to resolve these issues soon.
- Kamokila Boulevard/Farrington Highway: The Farrington Highway safety improvements project (Wakea to Kalealoa Blvd.) is under State Department of Transportation jurisdiction.
- Traffic Counter: The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) has existing traffic counts along various portions of the Makakilo Drive. A request for a copy of the traffic surveys can be made through DTS' website.

Fees may apply.
http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/dts/tpd/tpd_docs/Traffic20Survey20Request20Form20rev2007-17.pdf.

- Road Assessment: The DTS is still conducting their investigation regarding the crosswalks along Kapolei Parkway, east of Kamokila Blvd to Kamaaha Ave. and will inform the board of their findings upon completion of their study.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Updates: Stensrud requested updates that relate directly to the neighborhood area such as scheduled improvements for the roads or parks. Stensrud gave an update on recent vandalism at Kapolei Regional Park.
2. Repaved Roads: Capelouto asked how many of the 1,000 plus lane miles repaved by the City were in the Kapolei (2nd City) area.
3. Unmarked Crosswalks: Capelouto asked for the City to re-mark the crosswalks along Makakilo drive. Cullen noted that the "unmarked" crosswalks are a safety concern.
4. Makakilo Drive: Legal stated that Makakilo Drive seems to need repair and asked if that is scheduled.
5. Asphalt: Dudley asked what kind of asphalt is being used to repair the roads and requested that better, longer-lasting, material be used for the portion of Farrington Highway fronting the Kapolei Safeway.
6. Makakilo Drive Median: Dudley requested the medians along Makakilo Drive be scheduled for maintenance.

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

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

- TOD: When rail is completed, about 70 percent of the island's population and more than 80 percent of the jobs on Oahu will be located along the 20 mile rail corridor, with stations at key commuter and visitor destinations such as the Honolulu International Airport, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, and downtown Honolulu. There is transit oriented development (TOD) potential to generate 47,000 dwelling units around the rail system's 21 stations. In addition, there is a potential to add about 9 million square feet of commercial and industrial space in TOD areas along the rail line.
- Public Transportation: Reducing future traffic congestion and providing transportation options for these areas through improved public transportation is a key public policy initiative towards our island's sustainability.
- City Center: The final segment of the project is the City Center Guideway, which is 4.1 miles and includes 8 stations between Middle Street and Ala Moana Center. Advanced utility work is starting, which relocates utilities from the center of the roadway to make room for vertical construction, the rail columns and the stations. Doing so also reduces the risk and cost to construction.
- Public-Private Partnerships (P3): HART just concluded a successful two (2) day conference on P3 which is a possible contract method for the City Center segment utilizing private sector participation. A decision on P3 will be made next month with construction estimated to start in the fall of 2019 and full revenue service for the 20 mile system in December, 2025.
- Hawaiian Names: The HART board has approved primary Hawaiian names for the rail stations, as a follow up to the 2009 City Council resolution recommending that action be taken. In Kapolei, the station names are:
 - Kualakai: the name of the historic area and trail for the East Kapolei station
 - Keone'ae: the name of the farming village near the University of Hawaii West Oahu (UHWO) station
 - Ho'ae'ae: the name of the ahupua'a of the area for the Hoopili station
- Poster Contest: The HART Poster Contest is concluded and the entries will be judged, with the winning posters displayed at Kapolei Hale.
- Information: More information 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: Power: Capelouto asked if the rail is still in need of electrical power and if they are short on being able to meet those requirements, how short are they.

Senator Mike Gabbard – A newsletter was provided and Meg Turner reported that residents interested in researching specific bills and getting more bill information can find them on www.capitol.hawaii.gov. Industrial Hemp licenses will likely begin being distributed in April 2018. SB2576 was introduced to allow classroom interior locks and install intercom systems that are independent of the school phone systems.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Follow Up: Capelouto asked that Senator Gabbard be made aware of the board's concerns regarding SB2525.

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

Representative Sharon Har: No representative was present; no report was provided.

Representative Andria Tupola: Sai Timoteo provided a report and was available for questions. The Young Women's Prom Event will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Kroc Center. 600 dresses will be given away at the event. A town hall will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 regarding the goat situation along the Waianae Coast.

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

State Representative Ty Cullen: A report was provided.

Councilmember Kymberly Pine: A report was provided.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Relley Araceley, Community Relations Specialist

Reviewed by: