

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

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#### DRAFT INITIAL CONVENING MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019 MAKAKILO COMMUNITY PARK RECREATION CENTER

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Chair Pro Tem Legal called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. **Quorum was established with nine (9) members present**. Note – This nine member board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Brittany Yadao, Troy Cullen, Kioni Dudley, Thad Spreg, Jack Legal, Robert Helsham, Scott Stensrud, Moon Kahele, and Mick Ferreira.

Board Members Absent: None.

<u>Guests</u>: Deputy Director Tim Hiu, Department of Information Technology; Curtis Matsuda, Hawaii Department of Transportation; Rock Riggs (Senator Mike Gabbard's Office), Senator Ty Cullen; Maeda Timson (Representative Stacelynn Eli's Office), Kevin Wilson (Representative Sharon Har's Office); Louis Galdera (Councilmember Kymberly Pine's Representative), Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply), Lieutenant Evangelista (Honolulu Police Department), Captain Higashi (Honolulu Fire Department); Francine Murray (Hawaii Community Development Authority); Pat Lee (Hawaii Authority for Rapid Transit); Lei Naumu-Cabral, Bernard Naumu-Cabral, James Roasado, Kevin Sergeant, Ramona Sergeant, Ernesto Ventura, Terrance Langsi, Lance Galapia, Alissa Baligad, Jason Baligad, Steven Bauldauf, William Patio, and William Hope Jr. (BLEIZN FX); Avery Tsui (Sports Car Club of America); Frank Genadio, Jame Schaedel, Andy Kushong, Maily Schara, Elliot Perreira, Joyce Perreira, Cedric Duarte, Luana Farias, Mike Frank, Denise Blas-Phillip, Wendy Bernier, Christine Beyer, Raniele Reye, Jesse Tibayan, John Petriches, Steven Hyer, Raynette Hyer, Hermione Fernandez, Chris Yamashita, Jon Ka'ai, Reggie Ughoc, Linda Ughoc, Jesse Sam, David Talley, and Tyrone Fanigs (Residents); Christopher Naylon (Neighborhood Commission Office). **Note: Name was not included if not legible or on the guest attendance sheet.** 

<u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>: Chair Pro Tem Legal welcomed the new Board members to the Makakilo Neighborhood Board No 34 and thanked them for their service.

ROLE CALL: Naylon carried out a roll call. Quorum was established with six (6) members present.

# ELECTION OF OFFICERS

<u>Chair:</u> Chair Pro Tem Legal opened nominations for Board Chair. Cullen nominated Legal. Hearing no objections, nominations were closed. Legal was ELECTED Board Chair by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

<u>First Vice Chair:</u> Chair Legal opened nominations for First Vice Chair. Cullen nominated Stensrud. Spreg nominated Ferreira. Ferreira nominated Spreg. Hearing no objections, Chair Legal closed nominations for First Vice Chair. The vote for First Vice Chair FAILED by ROLL CALL VOTE lacking quorum, (4-3-2). (Stensrud: Cullen, Legal, Stensrud, and Kahele; Ferreira: Yadao, Helsham, and Ferreira; Spreg: Dudley and Spreg.)

The second vote for First Vice Chair FAILED by ROLL CALL VOTE, (4-4-1). (Stennsrud: Cullen, Legal, Stensrud, and Kahele; Ferreria: Yadao, Spreg, Helsham, and Ferreira; Abstain: Dudley). Hearing no objections, the Agenda Item was deferred until the September 2019 Board Meeting.

<u>Second Vice Chair:</u> Chair Legal opened nominations for Second Vice Chair. Ferreira nominated Spreg. Hearing no objections, Chair Legal closed nominations for Second Vice Chair. Spreg was ELECTED Second Vice Chair by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

<u>Secretary:</u> Chair Legal opened up nominations for Secretary. Dudley nominated Kahele. Hearing no objections, Chair Legal closed nominations for Secretary. Kahele was ELECTED Secretary by UNANIMOUS

CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

<u>Treasurer:</u> Chair Legal opened up nominations for Treasurer. Ferreira nominated Helsham. Cullen nominated Yadao. Hearing no objections, Chair Legal closed nominations for Treasurer. The vote for Treasurer FAILED by ROLL CALL VOTE lacking quorum, (4-4-1). (Yadao: Yadao, Cullen, Legal, and Stensrud; Helsham: Dudley, Helsham, Kahele, and Ferreira; Abstain: Spreg.)

The second vote for Treasurer PASSED by ROLL CALL VOTE, (3-6-0). (Yadao: Cullen, Legal, and Stensrud; Helsham: Yadao, Dudley, Spreg, Helsham, Kahele, and Ferreira; Abstain: None.)

## CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Higashi was present; the following report was given:

- <u>June 2019 Statistics</u>: There were (2) structure fires, one (1) brush/wildland fire, three(3) nuisance fires, 11 activated alarms, 112 medical emergencies, one (1) motor vehicle collision with pedestrian, nine (9) motor vehicle crashes/collisions, one (1) ocean hazard, and six (6) hazardous material incidents.
- <u>Safety Tip: Grilling Safety:</u> Each year an average of 8,900 home fires are caused by grilling. Almost half of all injuries involving grills are due to thermal burns. Follow these simple tips for safe grilling:
  - Propane and charcoal barbeque grills are only for use outdoors.
  - Grills should be placed well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
  - Keep children and pets at least three (3) feet away from the grill area.
  - Keep your grill clean by removing grease and fat buildup.
  - Never leave grill unattended.
  - Ensure the gas grill lid is open before lighting it.
  - o Charcoal Chimney starters allow you to light the charcoal using newspaper as fuel.
  - If using a starter fluid, only use charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
  - Keep charcoal fluid out of children's reach and away from heat sources.
  - When you are done, let the coals cool completely before disposing of it in a metal container.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Evangelista introduced himself to the community, the following report was given:

• <u>June 2019 Statistics</u>: There were 10 motor vehicle thefts, seven (7) burglaries, 23 thefts, and 17 Unauthorized Entries into a Motor Vehicles (UEMV) in the Kapolei region. There were 1345 total calls to service.

Questions and comments followed:

- 1. <u>Regional Thefts:</u> Ferreira asked about a strong-arm robbery that occurred on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at the Kapolei Costco and if these occurrences are increasing. Lieutenant Evangelista stated that the robbery occurred during the day and the suspect was apprehended. Lieutenant Evangelista noted that there was community assistance in apprehending the suspect before HPD could arrive. Lieutenant Evangelista noted that he is unsure if there is a pattern of increasing thefts in the region.
- 2. <u>District Boundaries:</u> Spreg asked what regions are included within the HPD District and Lieutenant Evangelista noted that the HPD District contains Kapolei, Makakilo, and Campbell Industrial Park.

<u>Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative:</u> Deputy Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), Tim Hiu was present; the following report was given:

- <u>Makakilo Drive Crosswalks</u>: Mayor Caldwell's office asked that the community please contact them to arrange a meeting with the mayor or a representative, depending on availability. The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will re-conduct pedestrian volume surveys from 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. along Makakilo Drive at Kinohi Street, Nohohale Street, Newa Street, and Aoloko Street to determine if marked crosswalks are justified. The DTS will complete their study by the end of the year. Please inform the DTS is there is a time of day where pedestrian crossing volumes are higher than the study times proposed.
- <u>Kapolei Regional Park:</u> The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) stated that a Plural pump contractor will install the two (2) 15 horsepower (HP) irrigation booster pumps on Monday, July 8, 2019 and Tuesday,

July 9, 2019, and test the system on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. If all systems are running we should have better coverage on the irrigation of the park.

- <u>Bus Stop at Water Park:</u> The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) stated that TheBus service to Wet-n-Wild Hawaii (Waterpark) was discontinued on March 28, 2017 when the Hawaii Department of Transportation began construction to improve and widen Farrington Highway. Construction is currently ongoing and permanently closes the Waterpark's Farrington Highway driveway access to the former bus stop area. Rerouting TheBus through the Waterpark's parking lot via the Kalaeloa Boulevard extension road was not feasible due to: Safety concerns related to traffic conflicts between buses, vehicles, and pedestrians (many children). The added time and distance negatively impacting bus operations (schedule, cost).
- Makakilo Drive Extension Project: The DTS and their consultant have been coordinating with the adjacent property owners, the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) and the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) to pursue a fill option instead of the bridge option proposed in the 2009 Environmental Assessment (EA). The fill proposal (building up from the existing ground level) would save the City over \$30 million dollars in construction costs. The preparation of a new EA includes additional traffic studies, archaeological studies, topographical surveys, geometric, grading, drainage and water quality reports. At a May 13, 2019 meeting with departments of native Hawaiian organizations, it was requested that DTS and their consultant look at alternate routes to avoid any impact to the existing remnants of the Waiahole Irrigation System which has been identified as a historic property. DTS is currently designing alternate routes, cross sections, cost estimates, and proposed impacts to surrounding areas. Once the fill option has been approved with the preferred route in place, DTS will submit the final EA for approval from FHWA and complete the final design plans and specifications.

Questions and comments followed:

- <u>Makakilo Drive Crosswalks</u>: Ferreira asked how studies are completed on crosswalks that have been removed or painted over. Deputy Director Hiu noted that crosswalks may exist even if they are not marked. Ferreira noted that more crosswalks were removed than originally reported to the community. A resident stated that the children using unmarked crosswalks creates safety concerns for pedestrians. Dudley noted that a lighted crosswalks alternative should be among the topics discussed for Makakilo Drive.
- 2. <u>Kapolei Regional Park Sprinklers:</u> Stensrud asked about the maintenance of sprinkler systems at Kapolei Regional Park and asked if the current system is functioning. Stensrud noted that the sprinklers do not have coverage of the entire field and stated that DPR breaks sprinkler lines while driving maintenance trucks through the park.
- 3. <u>Makakilo Drive and Palailai Street:</u> Helsham noted that the U-Turn at Makakilo Drive and Palailai Street inconveniences the community. Helsham asked why it was installed and whom it benefits.
- 4. <u>Makakilo Drive Extension Project:</u> Spreg asked for a timeframe for the Makakilo Drive Extension Project.
- 5. <u>Shoulder Lanes:</u> A resident asked where vehicles should pulled off when there are emergency vehicles driving through traffic.

Councilmember Kymberly Pine: Louis Galdera was present; the following report was given.

- <u>Contact Information</u>: Galdera asked that he be contacted at <u>lgaldera@honolulu.gov</u> or by phone at 768-5089 with any questions or concerns for Councilmember Pine.
- <u>Makakilo Drive Extension</u>: Mayor Caldwell's administration stated that the Makakilo Drive extension project will require a new environmental assessment because any addition requires the construction of a new partial highway. We will continue to work the administration, state, and federal partners to ensure this infrastructure projected is completed in a timely manner to maintain commuter safety.
- <u>Homeless:</u> Councilmember Pine's 23 million dollar homeless initiative was unanimously approved by the City Council and we are working with our federal and state partners to ensure the funds are allocated appropriately.
- <u>Hire Leeward Job and Career Fair 2019</u>: The Seventh Annual Hire Leeward Job and Career Fair 2019 is scheduled for Saturday, August 10, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at University of Hawaii at West Oahu. "Connecting Leeward resident with Leeward jobs." The fair will host more than 50 businesses offering Leeward Oahu based job opportunities. There will be jobs offered from a wide range of job fields.

Questions and comments followed:

- 1. <u>Bulky Item Pickup</u>: Dudley noted that there are residents that placing their bulky items on the curb too early for bulky item pickup and asked for a sign to be installed at the bottom of Makakilo Drive that details the correct time and process for placing their items outside for pickup. Dudley noted that excessive trash on the side of the roadways lowers property values. Spreg stated that parts of Makakilo may have different pickup dates.
- 2. <u>Makakilo Drive Extension Project:</u> Chair Legal asked for RM Towill or Department of Transportation (HDOT) to attend their meetings. Galdera noted that RM Towill will defer to HDOT for their answer.

<u>Board of Water Supply (BWS)</u>: Rian Adachi disseminated handouts about water rate changes and the xeriscape plant sale to the community; read the following report:

- <u>Main Breaks</u>: There was one (1) main break on Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 92-461 Akaula Street. There was one (1) main break on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 92-604 Akaula Street.
- <u>Scheduled Water Rate Increase in Effect:</u> The new water rate schedule and other changes to the rate structure are in effect as of Monday, July 1, 2019. The new rates adjustment allow the BWS to accomplish their investments in repairing Oahu's water infrastructure, accelerating our pipeline replacement program, reducing main breaks and ensuring the everyone pays closer to their share of water service costs. Notable changes to the rate schedule include:
  - o Gradual Increases to the water rates.
  - The monthly billing charge will move to a monthly customer charge based on meter size.
  - A new lower rate "Essential Needs" Tier.
- <u>Contact Information</u>: For more information on the new water rate schedule, visit BWS's website at <u>www.boardofwatersupply.com/rates</u> or call the BWS Communications Office at 748-5041. Provided tonight was a handout containing general details about the new rate structure and how to read your new water bill.
- 31st Annual Halawa Xeriscape Garden Open House and Unthirsty Plant Sale: The Honolulu BWS invite you and the entire family to the 31s Annual Halawa Xeriscape Garden Open House and Unthirsty Plant Sale on Saturday, August 3, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The event features a wide variety of less-thirsty and native plants at moderate prices xeriscape workshops by garden experts, keiki activities, educational booths, a cactus display, delicious food, and much more. Most importantly, event-goers will gain valuable insights on how to conserve water through water-efficient landscaping. Admission is free and proceeds from the event will help support education programs and classed at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden. Street parking with complimentary shuttle service to and from the garden on Iwaena Street. For more information, please visit https://www.boardofwatersupply.com/news-events/events/annual-unthirsty-plant-sale-2019 or call the BWS Communications Office at (808) 748-5041. You may also visit our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/BWSHonolulu or Twitter page @BWSHonolulu for additional information. BWS disseminated flyers containing information about the Plant Sale.
- <u>Minutes Corrections:</u> Adachi noted that there were two (2) corrections to the June 2019 Makakilo Neighborhood Board No. 34. The corrections are as follows:
  - On Page 2, under Reminder: New Water Rates Schedule Effective Monday, July 1, 2019, it should read," New rates will be seen on their first full bill after Monday, July 1, 2019, not necessarily their August 2019 bill. If customers have billings that start on Monday, July 1, 2019, they will aeee the new rates in their July 2019 billing. However, if their bill starts in June 2019 and end in July 2019 they will not see the new rate. Those are the customers that will see it on the next or August 2019 bill that starts in July 2019 and ends in August 2019."
  - On Page 2, under Reminder: New Water Rates Schedule Effective Monday, July 1, 2019, it should read," That BWS did not add a meter change charge. The monthly billing was revised to a monthly charge based on meter size. This is to better reflect the cost of maintenance of the meter. The larger the meter, the more it costs to maintain.

### Spreg exited the meeting at 7:38 p.m.; eight (8) members present.

<u>Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART):</u> Pat Lee was present; the following report was given: <u>Honolulu Rail Project Update:</u> The rail stations are grouped into "station groups" based on the construction contracts for those stations. The three (3) station West Oahu Station Group being built by HART's contractor NAN, Inc. are 88% complete, which are the Kualakai station near the Kroc Center that is 81%, the Keoneae station at UHWO which is 92% and the Honouliuli station in the D.R. Horton project which is 88% finished. The three (3) Farrington Highway Stations Group are 91% complete and the three (3) stations comprising the Kamehameha Highway Stations Group are 72% complete. The interim opening with limited revenue passenger service for the

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first ten miles of the rail route is planned for the fall of next year from Kualakai station in Kapolei to the Halawa station at Aloha Stadium. Repaving and resurfacing of Kamehameha Highway following rail construction is ongoing towards Salt Lake Boulevard and 58% complete and the Airport Guideway and Stations segment which runs from Aloha Stadium to Middle Street is 50% complete.

<u>NAN Inc.</u>: Jason Tayros of NAN, Inc, whose company is building the three (3) stations in Kapolei, is the community's contact for Nan, Inc. He can be contacted directly for any questions or concerns. NAN also produces weekly traffic advisory e-blasts (email notices). To sign up, please contact Jason at <u>itayros@nanhawaii.com</u>.

Questions and comments followed:

 Interim Service: Dudley asked about the start of interim service and who would ride the rail to the stadium. Dudley asked if Pearl Harbor could be serviced. Lee noted that the rail project would be completed in phases: the first phase would be from East Kapolei to Aloha Stadium and the second phase would be from Aloha Stadium to Pearl Harbor, the Daniel K. Inouye International Airport, and Middle Street. Lee noted that the system would be opened once the system was completed and tested in 2023.

#### Hearing no objections, Chair Legal call for a recess at 7:43 p.m. Chair Legal call the meeting back to order at 7:48 p.m.

- 2. <u>Interim Service:</u> Lee stated that phase 3 will be opened once the section is completed. Dudley asked if Phase 1 could include Pearl Harbor and Lee noted that Pearl Harbor will not be completed until 2020. Lee noted that the rail system does not turn around and will use turn tracks to change directions.
- 3. <u>Rail Service:</u> Kahele asked about the Alakai Parkway Station near the Kroc Center and if the service would be extended until Ka Makana Ali'i. Lee noted that the entire plan would include service to the center of Kapolei and Kalaeloa. Lee noted that there were plans to extend the rail system into Manoa and Waikiki. Lee stated that the system was limited to 20 miles due to financial limitations. Lee noted that most transportation systems are built in sections. Kahele noted that on-ground systems have been built in a fraction of the time.
- 4. <u>Parking:</u> A resident asked if there will be parking at the stations for residents that do not want to use The Bus or bike to their station. Lee noted that there are 4100 parking stalls planned across the rail system at the various planned Park and Ride lots.
- 5. <u>Congratulations:</u> Lee congratulated the Board on their election and thanked them for their service.

### Spreg rejoined the meeting at 7:57 p.m.; nine (9) members present.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO): Frank Genadio gave the following report:

- OMPO Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Update: Genadio reported that OMPO Executive Director Alvin Au reported its Overall Work Program was approved by the Policy Board as well as the Federal Highways Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. He added that the Technical Advisory Committee approved Revision #6 of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). That TIP revision does not mention extension of Makakilo Drive. A pedestrian safety subcommittee is being chaired by Ken Farm, from the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board No 14. He wants to see people with experience (on the roads) at meetings. such as bus drivers. Scot Urada of the Hawai'i Department of Transportation (HDOT) made an informational briefing of the Hawai'i Road Usage Charge (HIRUC) experiment, which is being funded with a 4 million dollar grant from the U.S. Congress. The two (2) major sources of funding for roads come from fuel taxes and vehicle weight taxes. HIRUC is a three-year research and new technology that will determine miles driven. A replacement tax of three-guarters of a cent per mile rather that the state's 16-cent tax per gallon of gasoline will be considered as vehicles maintenance. Please visit www.HIRUC.org. Tim Riley and Jo Jordan, of Waianae Neighborhood Board No 24, briefed their concerns about the ever-increasing traffic on Farrignton Highway as thousands of new homes will be developed west of Kapolei and the single access artery narrows from six (6) lanes through Pearl City to two (2) on the coast. It took eight (8) years to develop the fifth lane of one (1) and a half miles for contra-flow traffic. There is no expectation of gaining use of Kolekole Pass Road as a second access and the developers will not pay for public roads. I added that each new home will probably add at least one (1) more commuter into downtown Honolulu, where the jobs are.
- <u>Minutes Corrections</u>: On page 3, under OMPO Update, it should read," Genadio stated that photovoltaic (PV) panels could have been placed on solid-roof rail stations as well as along the Makai side of the rail guideway," and not," Genadio stated that the photovoltaic (PV) roofing systems could have been used on the rail cars."

FILLING OF VACANCIES: Since there are currently no vacancies within the Makakilo Neighborhood Board No 34, the item was deferred.

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<u>MEETING DETERMINATION:</u> Spreg moved and Stensrud seconded the MOTION to maintain the Meeting date, time, and location for Fiscal Year 2020. Hearing no objections, the MOTION PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

DETERMINATION OF BOARD RECESS SCHEDULE: Spreg moved and Dudley seconded that the Makakilo Neighborhood Board No 34 recess their November 2019 Regular Meeting and move their December 2019 Regular meeting to Tuesday, December 3, 2019. Hearing no objections, the MOTION PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

PARTICIPATION IN OLELO BROADCAST PROGRAM OR ANNUAL NEWSLETTER: Dudley moved and Stensrud seconded to participate in Olelo Broadcast Programming for Fiscal Year 2020. Hearing no objections the MOTION PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

<u>ADOPTION OF ORAL TESTIMONY:</u> Dudley moved and Ferreira seconded the motion to amended their oral testimony rules to state that "Speakers (community and Board), must keep their comments under three (3) minutes." The MOTION PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (9-0-0). (Aye: Yadao, Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stensrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

### <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Hearing no objections, the Agenda Item was deferred until August 2019.

### COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- <u>Kapolei City Lights:</u> Representatives from the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts (MOCA) were present; the following report was given: The Kapolei City Lights will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2019. The event will be from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and will have live entertainment, food, and festivities for the whole family. For more information please visit <u>https://www.kapoleicitylights.com/</u>.
- Honolulu Rate Commission: Chair Legal read the following announcement for the community:
  - The Honolulu Rate Commission is requesting input and testimony on the appropriate future policies and rates for Honolulu's Transit System once rail begins operations. HART plans an interim opening from Kapolei to Aloha Stadium to start in December 2020. Written testimony can be sent to <a href="https://www.covitt@honolulu.gov">covitt@honolulu.gov</a> or be mailed to Rate Commission, c/o Chris Ovitt, Department of Transportation Services, C&C Honolulu, 650 South King Street, Second Floor, Honolulu HI 96813. Oral Testimony may be given at the following Rate Commission Meetings:
    - Tuesday, August 31, 2019 from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at Mission Meeting Room.
    - Tuesday, September 10, 2019 from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at Mission Meeting Room.

Questions and comments followed: <u>Kapolei City Lights Vendors</u>: Stensrud asked and MOCA representatives stated that parade participants and vendors should visit their website, <u>https://www.kapoleicitylights.com/</u>, for more information.

# STATE REPORTS

Governor David Ige: Robert Yu was present; he gave the following report:

 <u>Follow Up: Hurricane Shelters:</u> Yu reported that the best information would be on Hawaii Emergency Management Agency's website (<u>http://dod.hawaii.gov/hiema/hurricane-preparedness/</u>). Yu noted that the website would have information about shelter locations in case of an emergency. Yu stated that most shelters within Hawai'i are only rated for severe tropical storms.

Questions and comments followed: <u>Hurricane Shelters:</u> Dudley stated that there are no hurricane shelters within Oahu. Dudley asked that the governor build hurricane shelters or people will die.

<u>Senator Mike Gabbard:</u> Senator Gabbard's Representative, Rock Riggs, disseminated a handout and gave the following report.

• <u>Kunia Loa Ridge Farm:</u> Senator Gabbard visited the Kunia Loa Ridge Farm with Senator Gil RIviere on Thursday, June 20, 2019. Kunia Loa is a non-profit organization, formed in 2013, and has 854 acres of agricultural land, subdivided into 99 lots on 99 year renewable leases. The lots range from five (5) to 35

acres. Senator Gabbard noted that while there are still violations going on within the farm, Senator Gabbard stated that he is impressed by the dedication of the Board of Directors, including their President Alan Sitt, to make things right and to move agriculture forward in our state.

- Blood Bank "Tough Enough" Campaign: Blood Bank of Hawai'i is launching its "Tough Enough" campaign in July 2019 to help save with over 70 blood drives on Oahu. The need for donors is especially high as blood donations drop by more than 15 percent every summer when students are out of school and families go on vacation. Anyone who donates blood will receive a temporary "Tough Enough" tattoo and complimentary donations from Dunkin Donuts, McDonald's, and Dave's Ice Cream. In order to donate blood you need to be in good health, be 18 years of age or older (16-17 year old donors signed Blood Bank of Hawai'i parent/legal guardian's consent), weigh 110 pounds or more (additional height/weight requirements apply for female donors 16-18 years old), and also bring photo ID with date of birth. Please visit <a href="http://bbh.org/#">http://bbh.org/#</a> for more information.
- <u>Listen Story:</u> Senator Gabbard will be holding a Listen Story community meeting on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at the Ewa Mahiko District Park Meeting Room.

## Yadao exited the meeting at 8:15 p.m.; eight (8) members present.

<u>Senator Maile Shimabukuro:</u> Senator Shimabukuro's representative disseminated a handout and gave the following report:

- <u>Vetoed Bills:</u> A handout that detailed the 18 vetoed bills from the 2019 Legislative Session and why they were vetoed.
- <u>State Housing Initiative:</u> A handout that detailed State Legislation that provides homeless and affordable housing relief. The following bills have been passed: Senate Bill (SB) 471 Act 62, SB 9 Act 215, House Bill (HB) 257 Act 128, and HB 820 Act 167. A representative detailed the 18 million dollars allocated towards the concerns.
- <u>Job Fair 2019</u>: Job Fair 2019 held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at the Ewa Community Center from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There will be on-site interview opportunities with multiple organizations in the fields of production, retail, loss prevention, child care, the food industry, and more. Admission is free for job seekers and they are asked to bring copies of their resume for potential employers.
- <u>Aina Pono:</u> The Aina Pono program will be serving free meals to the children of Waianae to Makaha during summer break. Children under the age of 18 can receive a free meal at 71 Hawai'i public schools that are participating in this year's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) program. For more information, please visit <u>http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/HealthAndNutrition/f2s/Pages/default.aspx</u>.
- <u>Congratulations:</u> Senator Shimabukuro recognized the Hawai'i Cal Ripken State Champions for placing second in the Southwest Regionals, the Nanakuli Hawks for winning their 12/70 Division State Championship, and M8KPLAYZ 10U for becoming the Cal Ripken Regional Champions.

<u>State Representative Sharon Har:</u> Representative Har's representative was present; the following report was given: <u>Congratulations:</u> Representative Har congratulated the newly elected Board.

- <u>Kaiser Permanente Ground Breaking:</u> Representative Har was present at the Kaiser Permanente West Oahu Medical Office. It is a 40,000 square foot facility that will be located in Kapolei.
- <u>Legislative Ideas:</u> Representative Har has asked that the community call her at (808) 586-8500 or email her at rephar@capitol.hawaii.gov.

State Representative Ty Cullen: Representative Cullen was present, his monthly report was circulated.

State Representative Stacelynn Eli: Representative Eli was not present; Timson circulated her monthly newsletter.

Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA): Francine Murray was present; the following report was given:

HCDA Monthly Report: The HCDA elected its officers for fiscal year 2019-2020. Chair John Whalen, Vice Chair Phillip Hasha, and Secretary Wei Fang. HCDA accepted the Determination of Finding of No Significant Impact for the Final Environmental Assessment prepared for the State's proposed Transpacific Broadband Cable Landing Project. HCDA appointed members to a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to provide recommendations on the study to transfer control of the Kakaako Community Development District. The members include Whalen, Hasha, Jason Okuhama, and Kevin Sakoda. HCDA authorized the executive director to expend up to 100,000 dollars for the study to transfer its control of the Kakaako Community Development District.

- <u>Kalaeloa Field Office:</u> HCDA will be closing their Kalaeloa Field Office as of Wednesday, July 31, 2019. HCDA will continue to serve the community from its main office at 547 Queen Street. HCDA asked that the community contact them at (808) 594-0300 with any questions or concerns about HCDA developments within the district.
- <u>HCDA Meeting</u>: The next HCDA meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 547 Queen Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Honolulu HI 96817. Agendas are posted on the Thursday before the meetings. For more information, please visit <u>www.dbedt.hawaii.gov/hcda</u>.

### BOARD BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding the viability of a racetrack at Kalaeloa property identified in the City Council Resolution 18-265, which was formerly mentioned in City Council Resolution 98-258: Li Cobian was present; the following report was given to the community:

- <u>Introduction:</u> Cobian introduced himself to the community and detailed his experience within the Hawai'i racing culture. Cobian noted that he has been involved with the Department of Parks and Recreation for eight (8) years. Cobian stated that he is a motorbike jumper and racer.
- Jurisdiction: Cobian noted that the racetrack would be under City and County of Honolulu jurisdiction.
- Racetrack Details: Cobian noted that this process has been started to expedite a previous permit from 1999. The application stated that Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) had been using the parking tarmac in Kalaeloa. The SCCA has had previous verbal permission to use the property without a proper permit being solidified. Cobian noted that the project would use 70 acres on the southern side of the Kalaeloa property. Cobian noted that SCCA has raced at the Coral Crater Adventures Park and stated that they have not received any complaints from the surrounding community about the dust or noise. Cobian noted that Resolution 18-265 was created in support of motor sports. Cobian noted that their proposed locations are over 3000 feet away from the surrounding homes and stated that they have not proposed a location across from Hunt developments. Cobian noted that their proposed location is 1.2 miles away from the Hunt development. Cobian noted that they will be outside of the Kalaeloa Historical District proposed by the Navy and stated that their locations should not affect the Navy. The region has enough room for a guarter mile drag racing track. Cobian noted that the region has copious amounts of asphalt covered and paved areas located next to their 29 acre coral pit. Cobian noted that the entire area has been previously developed and stated that there should not be any archaeological artifacts. Cobian noted that they will work with archaeologists to determine if there are any artifacts in the region. Cobian noted that Resolution 18-265 is meant to gain support for the racetrack.

Questions and comments followed:

- <u>Regional Efforts:</u> Chair Legal asked and Cobian noted that they are trying to work with the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to clear a region to utilize for motor sports. Cobian noted that a Temporary Right of Access from the DPR would allow SCCA to visit the region and begin their plans for a racetrack. Ferreira asked and Cobian noted that the planned raceway is not within the protected asphalt for the proposed Historical Preservation region.
- 2. Support for the Racetrack: Freeman noted his opposition of illegal racing and stated the need for the youth to have a legal place to learn how to race safely. A resident noted his support of a legal raceway and stated that need for a safe racing environment within the community. The resident stated that the Board should support the location in Kalaeloa due to it being the perfect location. Fernandez noted the extensive work that Cobian has done in regards to the racetrack. Fernandez noted that the races would be held once a month and would not be a concern every night of the year. A resident noted his support of the racetrack in an effort to get illegal racers off the freeways and asked for positive action towards the racetrack. The community members in the audience noted their support for the project. Stensrud asked for a clearer map of the region and Cobian stated that he will disseminate a copy to the Board. Stensrud noted previous Board support for the racetrack within Kalaeloa and stated that they are only questioning the racetracks placement. Cobian suggested that the Board take a fieldtrip to the region. Ferreira noted that importance of having a racetrack. Ferreira asked about other interest groups pushing for a racetrack on Hawaiian Homelands Parcel #9 in Kalaeloa and if there were any advantages for the use of Parcel #9. A resident noted that Parcel #9 is a privately leased region and stated that they are trying to make a City and County of Honolulu racetrack. Ferreira asked and the resident noted that the previous land for a racetrack was sold. Cobain noted that their racetrack would be on Department of Defense (DOD) land that is gifted to the City and County of Honolulu, similar to the situation at Paradise Speedway Maui. Helsham asked what action the Board could do in support of the raceway. Chair Legal noted that Cobian could better detail this at future meetings. Chair Legal noted that the Board needs additional information before they take any action on the raceway. Dudley noted

previous Board support for an all-inclusive motorsports complex located within Parcel #9 specifically. Dudley noted that the previous location did not include the coral pit. Dudley asked and Cobian stated that it would be too early to detail whether they have a complete race complex. Dudley asked for plans for a complete race complex. Chair Legal stated that he has asked Cobian to present more information to the Board in the future. Dudley noted that previous presentations for a Parcel #9 have gotten community support. Dudley asked that the Board get the correct information before moving forward. Helsham noted that Parcel #9 is leased to a private company by the Department of Hawaiian Homelands. Kahele noted his support of having an amateur racetrack in the region and noted his support of the community's need for a racetrack.

- 3. <u>Noise Concerns:</u> Fernandez stated that there are barely any noise concerns from residents that live within half a mile of the proposed raceway. Fernandez stated that most of the regional noise concerns come from aviation. Beyer noted that professional racetracks can be loud and asked for the proposed hours. Cobian noted that they always consider the community while applying for race event permits. Dudley noted that the drag strip would create noise for the surrounding community and Cobian noted that the homes are over 3,400 feet away. Cobian asked for a field trip to the proposed location and Dudley agreed.
- 4. <u>Permit Process:</u> Cullen noted that passion of the community and asked where SCCA is within the permitting process. Cobian noted that there has been a 20 year delay in the permitting process and stated that they would need Board approval for the permits. Cobian noted that they would not be greatly affecting the existing infrastructure. Cullen asked and Cobian stated that they are working with individuals from Maui to complete a permit. Cullen asked about the difficulty of the permitting process. Cobian noted that the process was similar to a camping permit and stated his surprise at the permits ease. Cullen asked how the Board can assist in the process. Cobian stated that the meeting was a good start and asked for patience with the process. Helsham noted that Kalaeloa has been going through the permitting process. Cobian noted that he filed a lawsuit to release permit for the proposed location. Cobian noted that SCCA has previously been approved to use the Kalaeloa location.
- 5. <u>Plans for the Racetrack:</u> Genadio asked about a drift track and Cobian stated that plans for the raceway will be planned after the permits are completed.

Mayor's Office of Culture and Arts: No representatives were present; no report was given.

<u>Road to 2020 Census:</u> Anne Sokol, Census Bureau, disseminated handouts to the community; the following report was given:

- <u>Census Details:</u> The United States has been performing the Census for the past 200 years to better represent the communities around America. Sokol noted that residents should be receiving their Census information beginning in March 2020.
- <u>Online Census:</u> Sokol noted that the 2020 Census will be completed online. Sokol noted that the Census will be protected by privacy legislation and will not be shared.
- <u>Board Support:</u> Sokol asked for Board support in the future endeavor. Sokol asked that the Census continue to be part of the Board Agenda until May 2020. Sokol noted that need for community outreach moving forward.

# Ferreira exited the meeting at 9:15 p.m.; seven (7) members present.

### TREASURER'S REPORT: No report was given.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- <u>Raceway:</u> Dudley asked that all representatives be brought to the Board Meetings before any decisions are made and noted his mistrust of Cobian.
- <u>Next Scheduled Meeting</u> –The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Wednesday, Wednesday August 28, 2019 at Kapolei Hale Conference Room A at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Legal adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Chris Naylon, Neighborhood Assistant Reviewed by: Harry Cho, Public Relations Officer