

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

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## <u>DRAFT</u> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019 KAPOLEI HALE – CONFERENCE ROOM A

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

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Troy Cullen, Kioni Dudley, Thad Spreg, Jack Legal, Robert Helsham, Moon Kahele, and Mick Ferreira.

Board Members Absent: Scot Stensrud.

Guests: Deputy Director Tim Hiu, Department of Planning and Permitting; Curtis Matsuda, Hawaii Department of Transportation; Rock Riggs (Senator Mike Gabbard's Office), Senator Ty Cullen; Representative Stacelynn Eli, Kevin Wilson (Representative Sharon Har's Office); Louis Galdera (Councilmember Kymberly Pine's Representative), Rian Adachi (Board of Water Supply), Lieutenant Fernandez (Honolulu Police Department), Captain Johnathan Ting (Honolulu Fire Department); Pat Lee (Hawaii Authority for Rapid Transit); Aki David (Ewa Neighborhood Board, Avery Tsui (Sports Car Club of America); Steve Vendt (Hawaiian Railway), Phil Acosta (Alea Bridge), Justin Lam (Department of Public Safety, Corrections Division), Victor Flint (Naval Facilities Engineering Command), Frank Genadio, Maeda Timson, Donna-Lee Alensonorin, Li Cobian, Bobby Gouveia, Jenny Gouveia, James Rosado, Dana Houghar, Scotty Houghar, Edwin Guillermo, Mike Frank, Chesten Gumban, Harlan Sheppard, Jordan Harrington, Rylan Harrington, Blake Ogawa, Kevein Rothban, Mikaele Santos, Lionel Pizarro, Jame Schaedel, Guy Yoshimura, Thomas Miller, Joshua Oliveira, Roman Tote, Lance Leatherly, Karen Luke, Laurie Von Hamm, Jon Yoshimura, Bob Rudd, Ranicho Reyes, Percy George, Kiran Polk, Jason Baligad, Bruce Reis (Residents); Christopher Naylon (Neighborhood Commission Office). Note: Name was not included if not legible or on the guest attendance sheet.

ROLE CALL: Naylon carried out a roll call. Quorum was established with seven (7) members present.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

<u>First Vice Chair:</u> Cullen MOVED and Ferreira SECONDED the Motion to defer the Election of First Chair until all Board members are present. Hearing no objections, the MOTION PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (7-0-0). (Ave: Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

Appointment of Transportation Committee Chair and Vice Chair: Chair Legal APPOINTED Ferreira Chair of the Transportation Committee, Kehele Vice Chair, and Frank Genadio as their Community Liaison. Hearing no objections, the APPOINTMENTS PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (7-0-0). (Aye: Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

# **CITY MONTHLY REPORTS**

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

- <u>July 2019 Statistics</u>: There were (2) structure fires, two (2) brush/wildland fires, three(3) nuisance fires, 16 activated alarms, 153 medical emergencies, two (2) motor vehicle collision with pedestrians, 12 motor vehicle crashes/collisions, one (1) ocean hazard, and seven (7) hazardous material incidents.
- <u>Safety Tip: Children and Fire:</u> Children between the ages of two (2) and 10 are naturally curious about fire and may secretly experiment with lighters or matches, if given the opportunity. This may occur when the child is unsupervised or even if an adult is nearby. Follow these tips to keep your family safe:
  - o Keep matches and lighters in a locked cabinet and out of children's reach.
  - Closely supervise children and ensure that they are kept away from other fire sources, including: bonfires, lit candles, cigarettes, and stoves.
  - It is natural for children to be curious and ask questions about fire, play with fire trucks, or pretend to cook. Use these opportunities to teach them about fire safety.

- Teach children never to touch matches or lighters. They should always tell an adult when they find matches or lighters.
- Talk with children about what their friends or other children are doing with fire. Talk about what they
  see in video games, on television, in movies, or on social media. Teach them specific ways to resist
  peer pressure to misuse fire.

<u>Honolulu Police Department (HPD):</u> Lieutenant Fernandez introduced the District 8 Commanders and Community Policing Team to the community; the following report was given:

• <u>July 2019 Statistics</u>: There were five (5) motor vehicle thefts, 12 burglaries, 34 thefts, and 18 Unauthorized Entries into Motor Vehicles (UEMV) in the Kapolei region. There were 1524 total calls to service.

#### Questions and comments followed:

- 1. <u>Statistics:</u> Yoshimura asked about the vehicle accidents that HPD responds to and how many of them are speed related. Captain Tanaka noted that there have been 15 fatalities in District 8 and noted that six (6) of them had speed as a factor. Captain Tanaka noted that Oahu currently has 39 roadway fatalities.
- 2. <u>Warning:</u> Captain Tanaka asked that the community be wary of their speed, not drive distracted, and to please wear their seatbelts.
- 3. Unmarked Crosswalks: A resident noted that there is a 200 foot unmarked crosswalk law.
- 4. <u>Makakilo Drive:</u> A resident noted that there are abandoned beds along Makakilo Drive that makes an unsafe condition for pedestrians. Lieutenant Fernandez asked that HPD is called for illegal dumping and noted that City and County of Honolulu departments call HPD for their concerns.
- 5. <u>Honolulu 311 APP:</u> Lieutenant Fernandez asked residents use the Honolulu 311 APP to report nonemergency concerns. The resident noted that all dead animal calls get redirected to 911. HPD noted that they have limited resources and stated that they are attempting to alleviate non-emergency calls.
- 6. <u>Illegal Parking:</u> Spreg noted that there are vehicles that are illegally parked in the region surrounding Kapolei Hale. Lieutenant Fernandez stated that HPD can be called for this and noted that the Honolulu 311 APP could be used as well. Spreg noted that it could be days until the Honolulu 311 APP responds to the concern. Lieutenant Fernandez noted that they are attempting to cover all of District 8. HPD noted that Spreg should call 911 if the parking is creating a safety concern. HPD noted that parking has a low priority compared to other calls. Ferreira asked about a non-emergency phone number and HPD noted that (808) 529-3111 can be contacted for Alternative Call Service.
- 7. <u>Appreciation:</u> Cullen thanked Lieutenant Fernandez and Captain Tanaka for the effort they do within the community.

## Cullen exited the meeting at 7:26 p.m.; six (6) members present.

<u>Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative:</u> Deputy Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), Tim Hiu was not present; no report was given.

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

- <u>Contact Information</u>: Galdeira 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>Hire Leeward Job and Career Fair 2019:</u> The Seventh Annual Hire Leeward Job and Career Fair 2019 was
  a huge success with over 1,000 participants excited for their next employment opportunity. Mahalo to
  everyone who participated and to our volunteers, especially the Kapolei High School Reserve Officer Training
  Corps (ROTC) program for their hard work.
- <u>Bulky Item Pickup:</u> Councilmember Pine is working with the City Administration on managing the bulky-item
  pickups and excessive trash along Makakilo Drive as well as the illegal dumping in Kalaeloa and Barber's
  Point. Resolution 19-101 was just adopted and requests an evaluation of Leeward refuse collection centers
  so we can understand how to prevent illegal dumping along the Leeward Coast.
- <u>Bill 39:</u> Councilmember Pine's Bill 39 will be heard on Thursday, August 29, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Committee on Public Safety and Welfare Special Meeting. The purpose of this ordinance is to extend lifeguard operating hours to address public safety concerns arising from frequent drowning after hours. Please submit your written testimony by fax to (808) 768-3826 or email <u>lgaldeira@honolulu.gov</u>.

<u>Pedestrian Safety:</u> Councilmember Pine is committed to keeping our communities safe by replacing crosswalks, increasing bus stops, and finding traffic mitigation strategies. Please contact their office if you see any issues in your community that needs Councilmember Pine's attention at (808) 768-5001 or email <a href="mailto:kmpine@honolulu.gov">kmpine@honolulu.gov</a>. Please let us know how we can be of service.

Questions and comments followed: <u>Hanauma Bay Lifeguards:</u> Ferreira asked about the shift hours and Galdera noted that they will be working a pilot program that consists of 4X10 shifts.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Rian Adachi was not present; the following report was disseminated to the Board:

- Main Breaks: There was one (1) main break on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 92-380 Kinohi Place.
- General Water Announcements: Summer Water Conservation/Weather-Based Irrigation Controller: With the hot summer months upon us, the BWS is reminding all residents to be vigilant and avoid wasting water. One way to save money and to stop over-watering is to purchase an EPA-labeled Weather-Based Irrigation Controller. This smart controller adjusts your watering schedule based on the weather conditions in your local area. A Weather-Based Irrigation Controller automatically adjusts your sprinklers to irrigate when needed allowing you to conserve up to 7,600 gallons of water per year. This device will not only conserve water, but it will save you money and time. It's easy to install and can be purchased online, or at Home Depot, Lowes and the Pacific Pipe Company. Provided tonight is a handout containing general information about the Weather-Based Irrigation Controller and how you can apply for a rebate by purchasing this water conservation device. Find out more at www.boardofwatersupply.com/rebates.
- Water Emergency Preparedness: Natural disasters, power outages, or other unexpected events can affect the Board of Water Supply's (BWS) ability to provide water service to the community. With recent storm activity in the Pacific, as well as September marking the observance of National Preparedness Month, this serves as an important reminder to have an emergency preparedness kit available for your household. One crucial component of your preparedness kit is a safe drinking water supply. Residents should store at least one gallon of water per person per day for at least fourteen days. Also, in the event of an emergency, it is very important to stay tuned to media reports to receive water information bulletins and take any appropriate actions announced by the BWS or other emergency response agencies. More information about water emergency preparedness, including a how-to video demonstrating how best to store drinking water in your home, is available online at <a href="https://www.boardofwatersupply.com/emergencypreparedness">www.boardofwatersupply.com/emergencypreparedness</a>. To receive emergency alerts via email or text message, consider subscribing to the BWS at HNL.info.

Cullen rejoined the meeting at 7:28, seven (7) members present. Spreg exited the meeting at 7:29 p.m.; six (6) members present.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART): Pat Lee was present; the following report was given:

Honolulu Rail Project Update: HART and the City department of transportation services are planning for a limited passenger service for the first ten miles of the route by end of next year, from the Halawa station at Aloha Stadium to the Kualakai station in East Kapolei near the Kroc Center and Hawaiian Homes. Besides the stations and the guideway, the Core Systems component is a very critical part of the fully automated, driverless rail system. Core systems includes the rail operations center and maintenance and storage facility in Waipahu, the 80 train cars and all the automated communication and control systems on the guideway, the stations and the vehicles. The train car shell structure is made of 100% aluminum, 64 feet long, 14 feet high and 10 feet wide, with a maximum capacity of 800 passengers, which is equivalent to ten city buses. There are 188 seats on every four-car train, with priority seating for seniors and those with disabilities. Trains also come equipped with air conditioning, closed-circuit security cameras, emergency call boxes, audible announcements and visual announcement boards, free Wi-Fi and space for surfboards, coolers, luggage, strollers, bicycles and wheelchairs. The interim service would utilize four (4) car trains with two (2) spare trains for the limited service. We will have more information for you next month. People often ask what fares will be to ride the train.

Rate Commission: The City Charter set up a Rate Commission to review and make recommendations to the Mayor and the City Council on rates for rail service, and has been holding public hearings to obtain public input. The next meeting of the Rate Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17th from 2:30 to 4:30pm at the Mission Memorial hearing room. For more information, please visit the HART website at <a href="www.honolulutransit.org">www.honolulutransit.org</a>, you can call the project hotline at 566-2299 or email a question to <a href="mailto:info@honolulutransit.org">info@honolulutransit.org</a>.

Questions and comments followed: <u>Interim Service</u>: Dudley stated that the interim service does not make sense with so many unserved residents that work at Pearl Harbor. Dudley asked that the interim service be continued past Pearl Harbor. Lee noted that they cannot extend interim service due to the stations not being completed and stated that

Pearl Harbor should be completed by 2023. Dudley asked that the stations be completed shortly and that interim service be extended to Pearl Harbor. Lee noted that the stations take 18-24 months for completion due to installation of equipment.

Spreg rejoined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.; seven (7) members present.

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

• OMPO Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Update: Genadio encouraged anyone whom may be interested in filling a vacancy for the Senior Transportation Planner position to apply. Position description is on website: <a href="https://ww.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\_dl=1651">https://ww.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\_dl=1651</a>. The Policy Board met on Tuesday, July 30, 2019 and received a briefing on the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2019-2022 Revision #5 (Administrative Modification) and #6 (Amendment). They approved both revisions as presented. The Policy Board Chair, whom is Councilman Brandon Elefante, provided a report on his experience at the 2019 National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Conference held in June 2019 in Omaha, Nebraska. NARC supports the upcoming Congressional transportation reauthorization to provide adequate, stable, and flexible funding; enhance prosperity; prioritizes transportation safety to eliminate deaths and serious injuries; and empowers regions to meet challenges and opportunities created by technology and data. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on Friday, August 9, 2019 and received Hawai'i Department of Transportation presentation on the Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP), which provides a perspective of Oahu roads as they pertain to the National Highway Standards (NHS). The draft update of the Public Participation Plan that is being developed for intergovernmental and public review and comment was presented to the TAC. It is a resource document that guides public participation for key OMPO work products and studies.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Cullen MOVED and Ferreira SECONDED the APPROVAL of the June 2019 and July 2019 Meeting Minutes as AMENDED. Hearing no objections; the June 2019 and July 2019 Meeting Minutes were APPROVED as AMENDED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT; (7-0-0).

## June 2019 Minute Amendments were 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.

### July 2019 Minute Amendments were as follows:

- On Page 1, under Guests, it should read," Deputy Director Tim Hiu, Department of Planning and Permitting."
- 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."

## COMMUNITY/BOARD CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Alea Bridge: Acosta noted that they started offering homeless care in 2016 and stated that they are attempting
  to work in the Leeward side.
  - o <u>Contact Information:</u> Acosta asked that they be contacted at 379-2532 or email them at info@aleabridge.org. Acosta requested that they be able to give a presentation in the future.
- <u>Leeward Roadways:</u> Neighborhood Board No. 23 Member Aki noted that he has worked in the Department
  of Transportation Services (DTS) for 41 years and stated that students and adults are almost being hit by
  vehicles by Kapolei High School. Aki noted the need for crosswalks that have lighted signs along Kapolei
  Parkway due to the increase in residences. Aki requested that the zipper-lane be extended to Honokai Hale.
  Aki asked that the Board use the experience of the regional DTS workers. Aki asked that Kahele and Genadio
  work towards allocation funds to the region.

## STATE REPORTS

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

- <u>Follow Up: HPD Officers on the Big Island:</u> Yu noted that the island of Hawai'i asked for HPD to assist them and noted that the State is reimbursing the costs.
- <u>August 2019 Capitol Connection:</u> Yu noted that the August 2019 Capitol Connection can be found online at <a href="https://governor.hawaii.gov/category/capitol-connection/">https://governor.hawaii.gov/category/capitol-connection/</a>.

Questions and comments followed: <u>HPD Officers on the Big Island:</u> Kahele noted his experiences with police officers on the Mauna and asked if a skeleton crew could be used on the Mauna due to HPD presence being needed on Oahu. HPD noted that they have returned to Oahu and Yu noted that the will follow up on the use of Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) officers.

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

- <u>Kapolei Public Library 15th Anniversary:</u> The Kapolei Public Library celebrated their 15th Anniversary on Saturday, August 24, 2019.
- Kapolei Kaiser Permanente Office Groundbreaking: Senator Gabbard was present at the Tuesday, July 2, 2019 groundbreaking for the Kaiser Permanente medical office building in Kapolei. The building will be a 60 million dollar, 40,000 square-foot medical office meant to expand care for the West Oahu residents.
- American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) National Games: Senator Gabbard presented an Honorary Certificate from the State Senate at the AYSO National Games 2019 Opening Ceremony on Monday, July 1, 2019 at the Waipio Soccer Peninsula in Waipahu.

Questions and comments followed: <u>Building Canopies:</u> Helsham asked about the canopy limits for buildings and Riggs will report back.

<u>Senator Maile Shimabukuro:</u> Senator Shimabukuro's Chief of Staff, Keahi Renaud, disseminated a handout and gave the following report:

- <u>Kalaeloa Energy Corridor Phase 2:</u> Paul's Electrical Contracting is working with the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (HCDA) of the State Department of Business and Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) for the Kalaeloa Energy Corridor, Phase 02 Project. The project will be excavating roadways and shoulders, placing new underground duct lines (electric conduits), and placing new underground manholes. The project is slated to start in July 2019 and continue until February 2020. Paul's Electrical Contracting will be operating Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- <u>Fifth Supplementary Emergency Proclamation for Homeless:</u> Governor Ige signed the fifth supplementary emergency proclamation for homeless on Friday, August 23, 2019 to support the development of additional affordable housing for people transitioning out of homelessness. The supplementary proclamation provides additional opportunities for countries to engage in housing projects for homeless individuals and families. This emergency relief period for homelessness continues until Tuesday, October 22, 2019 unless terminated by separate proclamation.
- Senate Bills (SB) Related to Condominiums: Renaud disseminated a handout that detailed seven (7) of the SB related to condominiums that were came from the Department of Commerce and Consumer's Affair (DCCA).
- Short Term Rentals: Enforcement on all illegal short term vacation rentals will begin in August 2019. The City and County of Honolulu has sent out over 5,000 letters to potential violators that were found on vacation rental websites. The letter tells property owners, advertising a vacation rental for less than 30 days will soon be against the law; if they are breaking the law that they have to pull your advertisements down, or face steep fines of up to \$10,000 a day. Mayor Caldwell hopes that the letters will end the illegal vacation rentals.
- Kapolei Public Library 15th Anniversary: Renaud reported that the Kapolei Public Library celebrated their 15th Anniversary on Saturday, August 24, 2019.
- <u>Census 2020:</u> The Census Bureau is asking if anyone interested in assisting the 2020 Census attend their public outreach meeting. The meeting will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at the Kapolei Public Library. The event will be held from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.
- <u>Grow Our Own Teachers Initiative:</u> Renaud reported about the Grow Our Own Teacher Initiative that assists in creating licensed teachers. The initiative assists with qualifying for tuition stipends, completing a post-baccalaureate certificate in teacher education: secondary education, and earn an initial teaching license for grades sixth through twelfth. The initiative deadline for spring 2020 is Tuesday, October 1, 2019.

State Representative Sharon Har: Representative Har's representative was present; the following report was given:

- Kaiser Permanente West Oahu Medical Office Ground Breaking: Representative Har was present at the
  Kaiser Permanente West Oahu Medical Office on Tuesday, July 2, 2019. It is a 40,000 square foot, 60 million
  dollar facility will be located within Kapolei. With more than 40 exam rooms, 28 provider offices, and 3 imaging
  rooms; this revolutionary facility will improve the access to health care for the approximately 70,000 Kaiser
  Permanente members in West Oahu.
- <u>Hawai'i Pacific Health Patient & Urgent Care:</u> On Friday, August 16, 2019 the Straub Medical Center held their open house reception for the Kapolei Clinic & Urgent Care. The comprehensive medical center will offer a variety of specialist services. The clinic will be opened Monday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and urgent care services are available from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

State Representative Ty Cullen: Representative Cullen was not present, no monthly report was given.

State Representative Stacelynn Eli: Representative Eli was present; the following report was given:

- House Resolution (HR) 516: Representative Eli has been working to pass HR 516 which asked the Public
  Utilities Commission (PUC) to deny the proposed wind farm project at Palehua. Representative Eli noted that
  there were amendments to the resolution that asked for community input to be utilized throughout the
  process. Representative Eli asked that the residents review Docket #2018-0400.
- <u>Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia:</u> There was a meeting on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at Kapolei Public Library and Saturday, July 27, 2019 at Nanakuli Library in regards to understanding the challenges for both those that have the disease and for their families as well. There will be another community meeting held on Monday, September 9, 2019 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Nanakuli Public Library.
- <u>Public Access Room (PAR):</u> Representative Eli disseminated handouts about Hawai'i Legislature's PAR. The
  PAR serves the community in learning more about and writing their own legislation. For more information
  about the PAR, please visit <a href="http://lrbhawaii.org/par/">http://lrbhawaii.org/par/</a>.

#### Questions and comments followed:

- <u>Factory Street Contamination:</u> Okiro asked about the lead contaminations from the soil being removed from Factory Street and asked where the material are being relocated. Okiro noted that the region is being affected by the lead contamination. Representative Eli noted that the PVT Land Company Limited are limited in the materials that they receive and stated that the material may need to be shipped elsewhere on a barge. Cobian asked that the community contact the State Department of Health about any concerns about lead contamination.
- 2. <u>Appreciation:</u> Ferreira thanked Representative Eli for the Directory of Legislative Officials. Representative Eli noted that she is attempting to get as much information to the community as possible. Helsham thanked Representative Eli for her attendance at their meeting. Dudley thanked Representative Eli for her efforts towards the Palehua wind farm project.
- 3. <u>Public Access Room (PAR):</u> Representative Eli noted that the community can get free presentations from the PAR on the legislative process.

<u>Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA):</u> Francine Murray was not present; her report was disseminated to the Board.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

<u>Proposal to Develop Kapolei Energy Storage Park for Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) Phase 2 Request For Proposal</u> – Jon Yoshimura & Bob Rudd (Plus Power) were present; the following report was given:

Project Details: Yoshimura noted that HECO is committed to utilize 100 percent renewable energy by 2025 and stated that their standalone battery system would assist in the process. Yoshimura noted that their battery system would be able to stabilize the electrical grid and would allow for greater use of renewable sources. Yoshimura stated that their battery system would allow for the use of solar energy at night and noted that Kauai's system has used as much as 97 percent renewable energy. Yoshimura noted that their project does not need rezoning and stated that they have already submitted for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Yoshimura noted that this was done to show HECO their commitment to complete the project. Yoshimura detailed their 30 acre lot to the community which has protection from the region's height above sea level and a coral berm located on the Makai section of the lot. Yoshimura offered to give the Board a tour of the location.

#### Questions and answers called:

- 1. <u>Battery Details:</u> Genadio asked and Rudd noted that the battery would have a capacity of 135 megawatts. Rudd stated the importance of the project due to a similar energy storage system in the region closing. A resident named Yoshimura asked how the battery would be charged and representative Yoshimura noted that their system would be charged by the grid. Yoshimura noted that this would allow HECO to utilize more renewable energy sources. Yoshimura noted that their system is meant to have a more stable charge. A resident asked and Yoshimura stated that they attempt to use products assembled in America. Kahele asked if the community needs solar panels and Yoshimura noted that solar panels generate energy while their batteries will store energy. Yoshimura noted that HECO is attempting to replace their out-of-date facilities. Yoshimura noted that the batteries are meant to assist in stabilizing the grid. Ferreira asked about the battery fire at the Kahuku wind farms. Yoshimura noted that this incident is part of a lawsuit but stated that Kahuku had a lead-acid battery. Ferreira asked whom would monitor the system and Rudd noted that it would be monitored by sensors. Cullen asked about the fire suppression unit within the battery and Rudd stated that it is there as a failsafe in case of emergencies. Rudd noted that the battery would be separated from the surrounding systems before the container is filled with fire suppressing material.
- 2. Community Benefits: A resident asked how the community would benefit and Yoshimura stated that the community would benefit from a more stable energy grid and lowered energy prices. Yoshimura noted that oil based energy prices can vary with the price of oil and stated that their fixed costs allows for more stable prices to the community. A resident asked and Yoshimura stated that they will not be charged more due to the battery and stated that their long term project is meant to offer more stable costs for power to HECO. Yoshimura noted that solar is cheaper than oil and would lessen the costs passed on to the community.
- 3. <u>Project Refuse:</u> Guillermo asked where the discarded solar panels and batteries would be taken. Yoshimura noted that they monitor the batteries and stated that the batteries only last 10 years. Yoshimura noted that they replace old cells. Yoshimura stated that old batteries are recycled and not thrown away. Rudd noted that their project use larger versions of Lithium Ion Batteries.
- 4. <u>Sea Level Rise:</u> Dudley asked about the possible effects of sea level rise and hurricanes on the property. Yoshimura noted that their property was surveyed to be over 50 feet above sea level and detailed that there is an 800 foot tall berm on one side of the property. Yoshimura noted that the batteries as so heavy that they would not be affected by high speed winds. Rudd noted that the property has an average height of 50 feet above sea level and stated that they have a berm on the property that was created by cleared coral.

Board 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: Cobian was present; a short video was shown about a recent site visit.

<u>Civil Unrest:</u> Chair Legal noted that importance of the Board members being properly informed on the topic.
 Chair Legal noted that he was not threatened by community members in regards to the topic. Chair Legal asked that the community stay civil throughout their discussion and noted that he does not want to recess the meeting.

### Questions and comments followed:

- Board Support: Chair Legal noted that the Board does not support any specific proposal and stated that the Board supports the creation of a racetrack within Oahu. Chair noted that all racetrack proposals will be able to give presentations.
- 2. Opposition: Cobian noted that there is opposition due to separate groups attempting to utilize their proposed location. Cobian noted that none of their previous attempts for usage were blocked. A resident noted that he opposed the use of Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) lands for a racetrack and stated that he would support it at another location. A resident noted her opposition to the raceway due to the Pearl Harbor memorials located in the region and asked that a family park be built instead. Dudley noted his opposition due to wrong location being proposed. Dudley noted that he would want a complete racetrack facility on island soon and stated that he would not vote to support the proposed plan.

- 3. <u>Proposed Location:</u> Cobian noted that there proposed location would be two (2) miles away from the nearest residence.
- 4. Support: Perez noted her support for the racetrack and stated that it could assist in better developing the youth. Perez asked for a call to action in creating a legalized racetrack. Perez noted that it would create a safe environment. A resident noted that skate parks were created to deter illegal skating and stated that a similar process should be done for racing. A resident noted his support for the project and stated that it would be similar to the City and State model created on other islands. A resident noted his support for the racetrack and stated that the main goal should be finding a safer well controlled area for racing. A resident noted that there would be no noise complaints in the region due to the volume of aircraft flights. The resident noted that importance of having positive programs for the youth to participate in that are located close to the Leeward side. A resident noted that the track would not be loud enough to disturb the community and asked the Board to support a track. A resident noted that a racetrack would attract more tourists and money into the local economy and stated that there is a need for the racetrack. The resident noted that an electric vehicle track could be an alternative. The resident noted that the tracks permits could always be revoked if there were accidents or fatalities. The resident asked that a petition in support of the racetracks be created. Helsham noted his amazement in the amount of community support for the racetrack and noted that the noise concerns would be mitigated by the amount of aircraft flights that fly over the region. Helsham noted that the community members would travel from island wide to utilize the tracks and spend money within the region. Cullen noted the community passion for the project and stated his support. Cullen noted his interest in the project moving
- 5. Community Concern: A resident asked if Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be present in race day, whom would pay for the services, what amenities would be allotted to the community, what safety features would be used, and whom would repave the roadway. The resident stated that these questions must be answered before they move forward. The resident asked whom would be liable for the facility. Thomas Miller noted that the land was gifted by Jimmy Pflueger and stated that it has not been managed properly since. Miller noted that neither the City and County of Honolulu or the State officials want to take over the project. Miller noted that Representative Hanabusa and Councilwoman Pine are opposed to building the racetrack and asked that the previous feedlot be used as a racetrack. Miller noted that Alexander and Baldwin spent millions of dollars delaying the construction of a racetrack. Kahele noted that the proposed location would be near White Plains Beach and stated that this topic is about the community. Kahele noted that there would be many people that want to use the race track and stated that it would be a good release for illegal racing. Chair Legal noted that he had visited the site and stated the need to properly inform himself on the subject. Chair Legal noted his previous opposition to the project but stated that the proposed location is near Enterprise Street. Chair Legal stated it is two (2) miles from Ka Makana Ali'i, the airport, and industrial lots. Chair Legal noted the importance of determining if the land is private or public. Chair Legal noted that only one (1) public race track has been proposed within Kalaeloa. Cobian noted that the land would be transferred from the Navy to the City and County of Honolulu. Chair Legal noted the need to find a concrete plan before the Board makes their decision due to community concerns. Cobian noted that the resolution is only for City and County of Honolulu under the jurisdiction of DPR.
- 6. <u>Board Resolution:</u> Ferreira noted the need to have the Board create community supported resolutions in the future. Ferreira noted the need to support one (1) resolution that properly states support for a racetrack in Oahu. Helsham asked how long this discussion has occurred and Chair Legal stated that they started the committee process months ago. Chair Legal noted that the July 2019 meeting was their first presentation. Chair Legal noted that there was previous Board support for a racetrack located on Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) Parcel #9.

Ferreira MOVED and Dudley SECONDED the deferment of the Board 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.

#### Discussion followed:

- 1. <u>Community Support:</u> Cullen stated the need to find a motion that defines to the community whom is in support of the racetrack. Chair Legal thanked the community for attending their meeting and speaking on the topic.
- 2. <u>Hawai'i County:</u> A resident asked that Hawai'i County is contacted o better inform the Board on the liability issues of a racetrack. The resident noted the need to speak with other racetrack owners on how they operate their system.

The MOTION for the deferment of the Board 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 FAILED, (2-5-0). (Aye: Dudley and Ferreira; Nay: Cullen, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, and Kahele.; Abstain: None.)

Ferreira MOVED and Cullen SECONDED the support of the City Council Resolution 18-73 for a racetrack on Oahu.

Discussion followed: Motion Verbiage: Dudley asked if the Board could make a simplified motion.

#### Ferreira WITHDREW his MOTION.

Dudley MOVED and Ferreira SECONDED the MOTION to support a motorsports complex within Oahu.

#### Discussion followed:

- 1. <u>Designation of Location:</u> Helsham asked that they be more specific on their site location due to community support and previous Board support for HNNL Parcel #9. Ferreira noted that the Board is attempting to make a motion that would encompass all of Oahu. Ferreira noted that this would create a better message.
- 2. <u>Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) 663-10.95:</u> Cobian asked that the residents read about HRS 663-10.95. The information can be found at <a href="https://law.justia.com/codes/hawaii/2012/title-36/chapter-663/section-663-10.95/">https://law.justia.com/codes/hawaii/2012/title-36/chapter-663/section-663-10.95/</a>

Helsham MOVED to AMEND the MOTION to specify the location within Kalaeloa. Hearing no second, the MOTION FAILED.

Hearing no objections, the MOTION to support a motorsports complex within Oahu PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, (7-0-0). (Aye: Cullen, Dudley, Spreg, Legal, Helsham, Stransrud, Kahele, and Ferreira; Nay: None; Abstain: None.)

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report was given.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

 Next Scheduled Meeting –The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at Kapolei Hale Conference Room A at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Legal adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Chris Naylon, Neighborhood Assistant Reviewed by: Jackson Coley, Public Relations Officer