



## **Waiawa Phase 2 Solar Plus Storage Project COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT**

*Prepared For:*  
**Waiawa Phase 2 Solar, LLC**

February 22, 2022

### **Background**

As part of its Stage 2 Request for Proposals (RFP), Waiawa Phase 2 Solar, LLC was selected by Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) to develop a solar and battery storage project in central Oahu at Waiawa, near the Ka Uka Boulevard exit of the H-2 freeway, known as Waiawa Phase 2 Solar Plus Storage.

A community outreach report was prepared on October 15, 2021 that covered outreach activities conducted up to the date of that initial report. This supplemental community outreach report is a follow up to that document and summarizes strategic outreach activities that have been conducted since September.

### **Outreach Activities**

In the months since September 2021, the AES project team focused its efforts on outreach with the area Neighborhood Boards while also maintaining its communication with area leaders and labor organizations.

A powerpoint presentation was prepared to support neighborhood board outreach efforts (Attachment A).

#### *Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No.35*

On September 21, 2021, Shane Peters and Kirstin Punu, AES Community engagement manager, made a project presentation to the board.

Most questions/comments were supportive with a few more technical or detailed in nature that are included below.

#### Questions/Comments:

- *A board member pointed out that the price per kilowatt might be protected and confidential under the contract. As such, it might be best for the resolution to avoid references to price.*

#### Response:

*The AES team noted that the price was public information included in the terms of the project Power Purchase Agreement and approved by the Hawaii State Public Utilities Commission. As such, the information is not confidential and can therefore be included in the resolution without concern.*

- *A board member noted the importance of the state's renewable energy goals*
- *A board member noted there seemed to be a few solar projects in the area.*

The board passed a resolution (Attachment B) in support of the project by unanimous consent, 7-0. Minutes from the September meeting are available [http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295023/35\\_2021\\_9Min.pdf](http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295023/35_2021_9Min.pdf) (Attachment C).

*Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21*

On September 28, 2021, Shane Peters and Kirstin Punu presented project details and answered questions from board members.

The board was supportive of the project. Positive comments were made with a few questions/comments worth noting below.

Questions/Comments:

- *A board member asked why the project is only for 20 years. Shouldn't it be longer?*

Response:

*The AES team noted that the 20-year term was a requirement of the landowner, Kamehameha Schools but that the project agreements may be renewed if all parties are open.*

- *A board member asked if the project might be contributing to drone complaints in the area.*

Response:

*The AES team noted that drones have not been used for the project, however, a helicopter was utilized to survey the property in late 2020.*

- *A board member asked about removing or replacing trees.*

Response:

*The AES team noted that the project was in the early stages and a specific plan had not yet been formulated. The team committed to following up with the board once information was available.*

- *A community member asked whether the project conforms to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDG).*

Response:

*The AES team noted that the project meets a number of the UN SDG goals.*

Minutes for the meeting have been posted [http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295658/21\\_2021\\_09Min.pdf](http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295658/21_2021_09Min.pdf) (Attachment D).

At their next meeting on October 26, 2021, the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 voted to adopt a resolution in support of Waiawa Phase II Solar+Storage (Attachment E).

The October 26 meeting minutes have been posted [http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295657/21\\_2021\\_10Min.pdf](http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295657/21_2021_10Min.pdf) (Attachment F).

Waipahu Neighborhood Board No. 22

On October 28, 2021, Shane Peters and Kirstin Punu made a presentation to the board and answered questions.

The board was generally supportive with a few technical questions and comments. The board chair noted that they did not have quorum and that any action on this project would need to occur at their next meeting in November.

Questions/Comments:

- *A board member noted the size of the project approximately equals to two (2) golf courses and powers 18,000 homes but the project will be decommissioned in 20 years. How does this makes sense. ?*

Response:

*The AES team noted that technology changes very quickly. PPAs are structured for a limited time to provide flexibility for new projects that might provide more efficient technology.*

- *A board member asked whether this was Castle and Cooke land noting the strong objections from area residents over the years to their plans for development.*

Response:

*The AES team clarified that the land is owned by Kamehameha Schools and that people might be confusing it with Castle and Cooke's Koa Ridge project.*

- *A board member noted that another solar project in the area presented to the board.*

Response:

*The AES team clarified that was a HECO stage 1 project being developed by Clearway. This project is nearby on the same lands owned by Kamehameha Schools.*

- *A board member asked if this was agricultural lands, expressing concern regarding the impact to farming.*

Response:

*The AES team clarified that the land was in the urban state land use district and that there are no agricultural activities on this property .*

Minutes for the October meeting have been posted [http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295583/22\\_2021\\_10Min.pdf](http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-295583/22_2021_10Min.pdf) (Attachment G).

At a follow-up meeting on November 18, the board voted to adopt a resolution in support of the project. The vote was 13 ayes, 0 noes, and 1 abstention.

Minutes for this November meeting have been posted [http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-297838/22\\_2021\\_11Min.pdf](http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-297838/22_2021_11Min.pdf) (Attachment H).

A copy of the adopted resolution has not yet been posted to the Neighborhood Board Commission website. However, the adoption of the resolution and associated vote is reflected in the minutes.

#### *Mililani-Waipio Neighborhood Board No. 25*

Due to several leadership changes and board vacancies that occurred from September to January, a presentation to the Mililani-Waipio Neighborhood Board has not yet been conducted. The project team is hopeful that a presentation can be made at the board's next scheduled March meeting.

#### **Conclusion**

AES is deeply committed to continuing outreach efforts to raise awareness about the project and address issues identified by the community. These efforts will continue through the entitlement and land use approval phase and beyond if the project receives the necessary permits and approvals.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this summary and report, please don't hesitate to contact Shane Peters at [shane@peters-comm.com](mailto:shane@peters-comm.com) or (808) 421-9879.

# **Attachment A**




# Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21


September 28, 2021  
AES Clean Energy



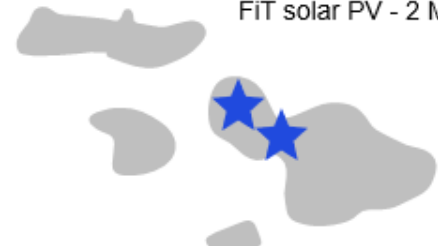
# AES Clean Energy Projects in Hawai'i



**AES Kaua'i Projects**  
Lāwai 20 MWac solar PV + BESS  
Kekaha 14 MWac solar PV + BESS  
WKEP 35 MWac solar PV + BESS + Hydro



**AES O'ahu Projects**  
West Oahu Solar - 12.5 MWac Solar PV + BESS  
Waiawa Phase 2 Solar - 30 MWac solar PV + BESS  
Mountain View Solar - 7 MWac solar PV + BESS  
FIT solar PV - 4.5 MWac



**AES Maui Projects**  
Kuihelani Solar - 60 MWac solar PV + BESS  
FIT solar PV - 2 MWac



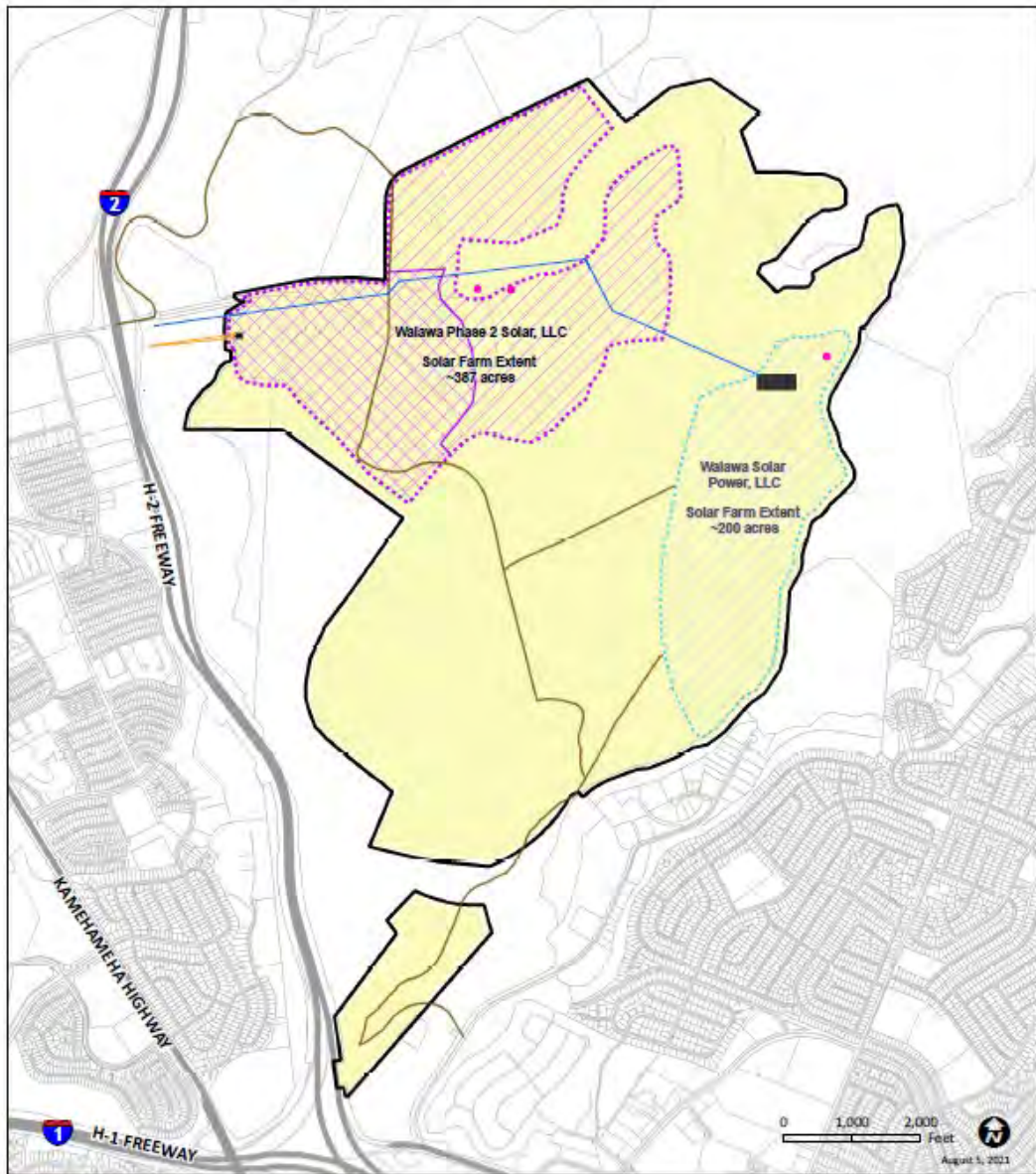
**AES Hawai'i Island Projects**  
Waikoloa Solar - 30 MWac solar PV + BESS  
FIT solar PV - .5 MWac solar PV







# Conceptual Site Plan Map



- Waiawa Phase 2 Solar, LLC Solar Farm Extent ~387 acres
- Waiawa Solar Power, LLC Solar Farm Extent ~ 200 acres
- Utility Improvements Area
- KS Waiawa Property (SLUD- Urban, Docket A87-610)
- Parcel A
- Parcel B
- Archaeological Preservation Area
- Waiawa Phase 2 Solar, LLC "Gen-Tie Alignment"
- Waiawa Solar Power, LLC "Gen-Tie Alignment"
- Access Route

Disclaimer: This Graphic has been prepared for general planning purposes only and should not be used for boundary interpretations or other spatial analysis.

# Conceptual Site Plan





# • Project Specifications

- 30 MWac / approx. 60 MWdc solar photovoltaic
- 240 MWh containerized lithium-ion battery energy storage (BESS)
- Serves all Oahu; feeds into HECO grid
- Utilizes approximately 387 acres
- Land leased from Kamehameha Schools
- ~20-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA); temporary use
- Requires Commercial Operation in 2023
- Decommissioning - restore land to existing condition (or comparable) at end of lifespan



## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

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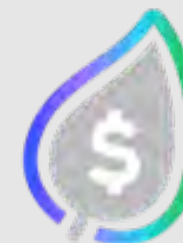


### Job Creation

- Approximately **565 local jobs** anticipated from Project development, construction

### Economic Output

- Approximately **\$131 Million** in economic output



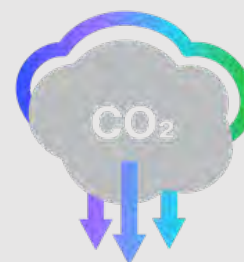


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### Locally-Sourced Power

- Provides a clean, reliable source of power for approximately **18,000 O'ahu homes**



### Fossil Fuel Reduction

- Contributes to shutting down existing Fossil Fuel Plants

## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

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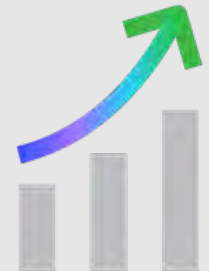


### Low-Cost

- Project will deliver power to HECO at a low-cost fixed-price of **\$0.12 / kWh** over 20-years

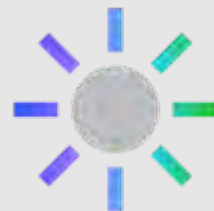
### Stable Price

- Hedge against volatility of fossil fuel prices



## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

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**Local**  
Locally produced  
renewable energy

### **100% Renewable**

- Helps the state achieve its renewable energy goals

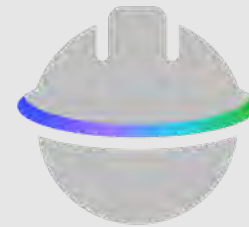


## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

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### Traffic

- Minimal traffic during operations (2-4 vehicles/day)
- During Construction
  - Off peak deliveries
  - Opposite commuter traffic
  - On-site staging
  - Construction Traffic Management Plan



### Fire and Safety

- Maintain vegetation
- Fire breaks
- Fire suppression



## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

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### **Visual Impacts**

- Visual Simulations conducted to assist with design refinement
- Heavy vegetation surrounding site
- Topography shields much of Project area

# • Representative Photos of Equipment



Solar Panels



Containerized Lithium-Ion Batteries



Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Existing Condition

### H2 Southbound





Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Simulated Condition

### H2 Southbound





Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Existing Condition

### Ka Uka Off-ramp Southbound





Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Simulated Condition

### Ka Uka Off-ramp Southbound





## Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation Existing Condition H-2 On-ramp Southbound





## Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Simulated Condition

### H-2 On-ramp Southbound





Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Existing Condition

### Aaniu Loop - Pacific Palisades





Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation

## Simulated Condition

### Aaniu Loop - Pacific Palisades





## Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation Existing Condition Waipio Uka Street





## Waiawa Solar + Storage Project

# Visual Simulation Simulated Condition Waipio Uka Street





# Visual Simulation

## Existing Condition

### Ka Uka Overpass





# Visual Simulation

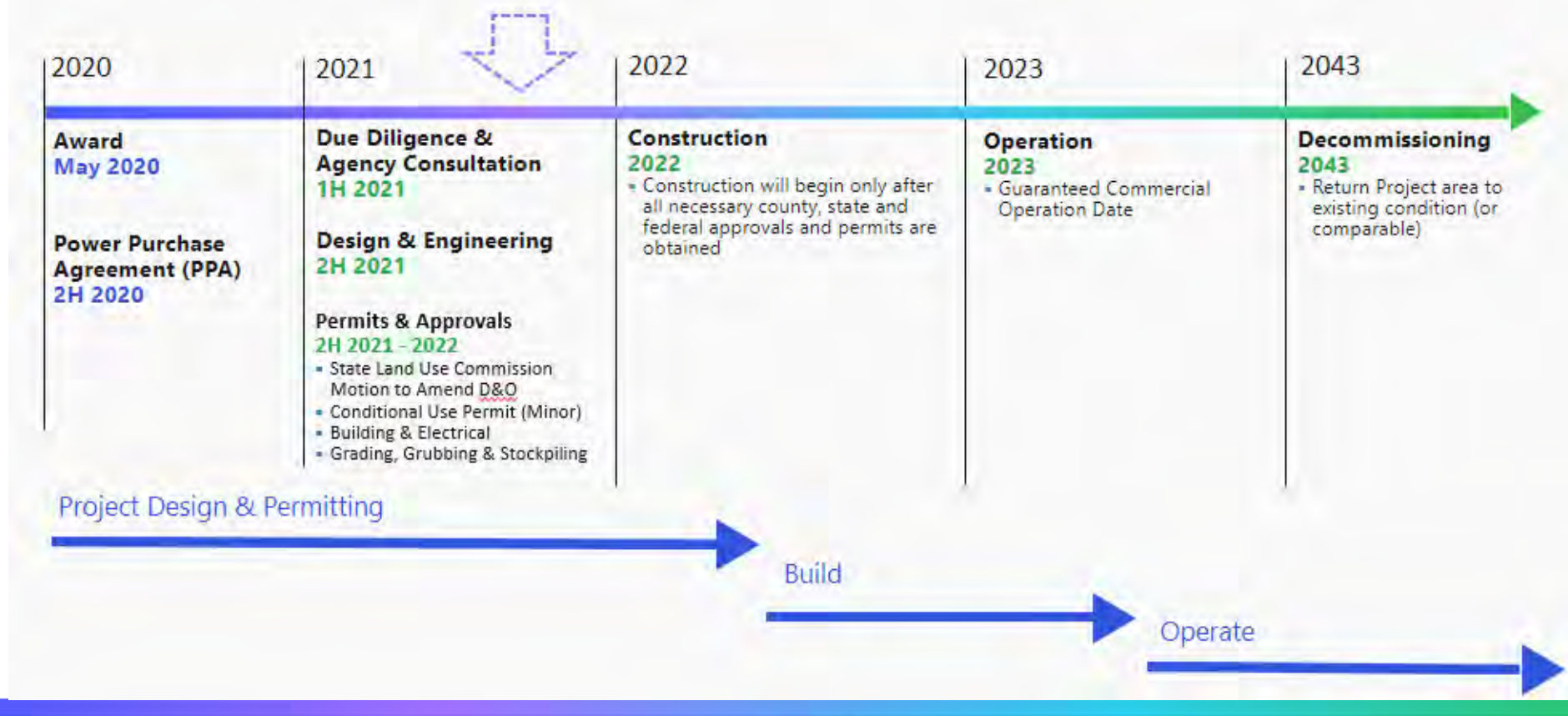
## Simulated Condition

### Ka Uka Overpass



## Waiawa Phase 2 Solar + Storage Project

# Project Timeline — *Community consultation continues throughout the lifecycle of the Project*





# • Conclusion

- 30 MWac / approx. 60 MWdc Solar
- 240 MWH Battery Storage
- Clean locally produced renewable energy
- 565 jobs generated
- \$131M in economic output
- Clean, renewable power for 18,000 homes
- Stable low-cost price
- Online in 2023
- Decommissioning - restore land to existing condition (or comparable) at end of lifespan



# Mahalo!

## Questions?

Provide your comments or get the latest project information.

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## **Attachment B**





**MILILANI MAUKA/ LAUNANI VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 35**

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED  
WAIAWA PHASE II SOLAR + STORAGE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS** the state enacted the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative (HCEI) and Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) with the goal of achieving 100 percent of energy production from renewable sources by 2045; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawaii routinely ranks as having the highest electricity rates in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous local efforts are being undertaken to reduce energy dependence and slow the threat of global warming; and

**WHEREAS** solar energy coupled with battery storage is recognized as a reliable source of locally produced clean renewable energy that reduces the need for imported fossil fuels while lowering carbon emissions; and

**WHEREAS** renewable energy projects will enable Hawaii to grow its green economy and provide green employment opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, a new renewable energy project, Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage, with 30 MW ac and 240 MW hours of battery storage is being proposed in Central Oahu; and

**WHEREAS** the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project is anticipated to generate approximately 565 jobs and \$131 million in economic output; and

**WHEREAS** the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project would provide enough energy to power the equivalent of 18,000 homes annually; and

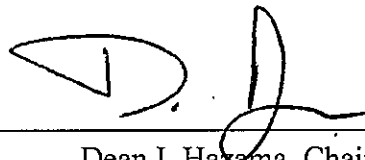
**WHEREAS** the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project would supply energy to the utility at a low fixed cost of \$0.12 kWh: now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board Number 35 recognizes the importance of contributing to the state's goal of producing 100 percent of Hawaii's energy from renewable sources by 2045, thereby reducing our reliance on imported fossil fuel and growing our green economy.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board Number 35 supports the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project to help achieve these energy and environmental goals; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Hawaii State Governor, Central Oahu area state legislators, State Land Use Commission, the State Office of Planning, the State Office of Energy, the Mayor of the City & County of Honolulu, Central Oahu City Council Members, the Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting and Central Oahu Neighborhood Board chairs.

*Adopted by Mililani Mauka - Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35 at its regular meeting on September 21, 2021 by a vote of 7-0.*

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Dean I. Hazama, Chair

## **Attachment C**



## **MILILANI MAUKA/LAUNANI VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 35**

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021** **VIRTUAL MEETING VIA WEBEX**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Dean Hazama called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.; **Quorum was established with seven (7) members present.** Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Dana Agader, Dean Hazama, Shelby Hom, Steven Melendrez, Stanton Oishi, Alice Rogers, Keith Tamashiro.

**Board Members Absent:** Norma Jean Chang-Gottschalk, Susan Miyamoto.

**Guests:** Captain Gilbert Reyes (Honolulu Fire Department); Corporal Richard Fikani (Honolulu Police Department); Lieutenant Colonel Dan Antolos (Military Representative); Shane Peters, Kristen Punu (Waiawa Solar & Storage); Kyle Shimabukuro (Mililani Mauka Elementary School); Kirra Empting (Congressman Ed Case); Carrie Castle (Mayor Rick Blangiardi); Councilmember Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Michael Sakata; David Cho (Senator Donovan Dela Cruz); Representative Val Okimoto; Lance Kamisugi, Tracy Camuso (Residents); Dylan Buck (Neighborhood Assistant). **There were 25 attendees in total.**

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Boy Scout Troop 664.

**MEETING DECORUM:** Chair Hazama advised attendees to meet decorum at the Board meeting by raising hands to be acknowledged and to keep presentations to three (3) minutes.

### **BOARD BUSINESS**

**Waiawa Phase 2 Solar & Storage – (AES):** Shane Peters and Kristin Punu presented the following.

- **AES Clean Energy Projects in Hawai'i:** AES is a provider of clean and affordable energy throughout Hawai'i with over 200 megawatts of projects across the islands.
- **Waiawa Site Location:** Approximately 387 acres, owned by Kamehameha Schools, located across from the Waipio Costco.
- **Project Components:** solar panels, battery containers and inverters, new substation, new power lines, new tie-in to existing Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) power lines.
- **Project Specifications:**
  - 30 megawatt (MW) alternating current / approximately 60 MW direct current solar photovoltaic
  - 240 MW hours containerized lithium-ion battery energy storage (BESS).
  - Serves all of O'ahu by feeding into HECO's grid.
  - 20-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) temporary use.
  - Requires commercial operation in 2023.
  - Decommissioning – restore land to existing condition (or comparable) at end of lifespan.
- **Benefits:** 565 local jobs created from project development and construction. Approximately \$131 million dollars in economic output. Locally-sourced power for approximately 18,000 O'ahu homes. Contributes to shutting down existing fossil fuel plants. Project will deliver power to HECO at a low-cost fixed-price of \$0.12/kWh over 20-years. Helps the state achieve its renewable energy goals.
- **Timeline:**
  - **Project Design & Permitting:** 2020 through mid-2022.
  - **Build Phase:** mid-2022 through mid-2023.
  - **Operational Phase:** mid-2023 through 2043.
- **Contact:** Visit their website ([www.waiawaphase2solar.com](http://www.waiawaphase2solar.com)), Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WaiawaPhase2Solar/>), or send them an email ([waiawaphase2solar@aes.com](mailto:waiawaphase2solar@aes.com)).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. **Battery Containers:** Melendrez asked if the battery containers have AC. Peters responded that they have AC and a fire suppression system.
2. **Waiawa Projects:** Oishi asked if there will be three (3) solar farms in Waiawa after this one is completed. Peters responded that this one is by AES, Waiawa Phase 1 is by Clearway, and the third project is by a different developer.



3. Previous Plans: Rogers asked if Waipio Gentry terminated their development plans that they were working on for 15 years. Peters responded yes.
4. Multiple Land-Use: Rogers asked if this project is required to have multiple land-use purposes. Peters responded that the land they leased is in the State Urban Lands District and does not have a multiple land-use requirement.
5. Office Location: Melendrez asked where AES's office is located. Punu responded that the main headquarters is in Virginia, and the AES Clean Energy division's headquarters is in Colorado.
6. Permitting: Hazama asked that because this land is in the urban boundary, do you have to go back to the Land Use Commission (LUC) to ask for a special use permit. Peters responded that generally that is the case, but because the LUC has approved solar as an interim use on this land they just need the final approval by LUC.

**Hazama MOVED and Rogers SECONDED the Motion to support the Waiawa Phase 2 Solar & Storage Project.**

Discussion: Cost of Energy: Melendrez asked if the presented cost of \$0.12/kWh should be removed from the resolution because the board cannot verify that information. Hazama and Peters responded that it is a contractual agreement by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Hawai'i and should be included in the resolution.

**The Motion to support the Waiawa Phase 2 Solar & Storage Project PASSED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hom, Melendrez, Oishi, Rogers, Tamashiro; Nay: None; Abstain: None).**

Mililani Mauka Elementary School After School Traffic Plan: Kyle Shimabukuro (Interim Principal) presented the following.

- Presentation Link: <https://bit.ly/MMESpresentation>
- 2021-2022 Dismissal & Pick Up:
  - Dismissal on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday:
    - 1:50 p.m. for students with the last name A-L
    - 2:05 p.m. for students with the last name M-Z
  - Dismissal on Wednesday:
    - 12:15 p.m. for students with the last name A-L
    - 12:30 p.m. for students with the last name M-Z

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Directing Traffic: Melendrez asked if the school has looked into hiring HPD's Special Duty Officers to direct traffic. Shimabukuro responded that no they have not but that is a great idea to consider.
2. Meeting Location: Rogers asked when this board will be able to resume holding their meetings at the school's cafeteria. Shimabukuro responded that there are no updates at this time.

**CITY MONTHLY REPORTS**

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain Gilbert Reyes reported the following.

- June 2021 Statistics: Fire statistics are available online at [www.honolulu.gov/hfd](http://www.honolulu.gov/hfd).
- Safety Tip: Captain Reyes shared safety tips for senior citizens during a medical emergency.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Corporal Richard Fikani reported the following.

- June 2021 Statistics: Crime statistics are available online at [www.honolulu.org](http://www.honolulu.org).
- Safety Tip: Corporal Fikani shared safety tips on personal safety regarding theft prevention.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): No representative present. A report was distributed to the board.

Military Representative: Lieutenant Colonel Dan Antolos reported the following.

- Update - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS): On Friday, July 23, 2021 the U.S. Army announced their intent to prepare an EIS to analyze its proposal to retain approximately up to 6,300 acres of leased State-owned land on O'ahu to support continued military training. The U.S. Army thanks the community for their participation in the submission of comments. The next step is for those comments to be thoroughly processed and considered in the next phase of the project, which involves the analysis of anticipating impacts from the project.
  - Website: <https://home.army.mil/hawaii/index.php/oahueis/documents>
- Department of Defense (DoD) Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation for Community Noise Mitigation: View the Federal Register notice for the aviation noise mitigation input at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/08/19/2021-17775/community-input-on-noise-mitigation>.
  - The public has through Oct. 4, 2021 to provide input to the OLDCC.
  - Submit feedback by visiting the online form now through Monday, October 4, 2021 at <https://forms.office.com/g/3pp0UCdArk>.

- For more information visit the DoD's Local Defense Community Cooperation website at: <https://oldcc.gov/our-programs/community-noise-mitigation>.
- Training Advisory: The 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division is scheduled to conduct combat training exercises at three (3) ranges here on O'ahu and on the Big Island between Tuesday, October 12, 2021 and Thursday, October 28, 2021.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gold Star Mother's & Family's Day Ceremony: Hosted on Facebook at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 26, 2021. Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=4526148127407495>.
- Wheeler Middle School: The Department of Education announced today that Wheeler Middle School was a 2021 National Blue Ribbon recipient. Wheeler is one (1) of three (3) Hawai'i schools that were among 325 school winners nationwide.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Firing Times: Tamashiro asked if there will a cut off time for small arms fire and artillery fire during that training period, and if so, what time will that be. LTC Antolos responded that he will follow up with Tamashiro by next week.

RESIDENT/COMMUNITY CONCERNS: There were no concerns.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

The Office of Governor David Ige: No representative present.

Office of Congressman Ed Case: Kirra Empting reported the following.

- Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Quarter Neighborhood Board Report:
  - <https://case.house.gov/news/email/show.aspx?ID=BA5ZT3VTZBY7K>
- Helicopters/Small Aircraft Safety and Disruption:
  - <https://case.house.gov/news/email/show.aspx?ID=2CVZWX4U3W5FM>
- District Office Number: (808) 650-6688

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Representative: Melendrez asked if Nestor is still the Communications Director. Empting responded yes.

The Office of Mayor Rick Blangiardi: Deputy Director of Budget & Fiscal Services (BFS) Carrie Castle had one (1) concern to follow-up on from the previous meeting, provided an update on legal/illegal AirBnB's from the Department of Permitting and Planning (DPP), and was available to take questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Regulating Dealerships: Chair Hazama asked who regulates the dealerships to prevent them from wrongfully registering hybrid vehicles as 'electric vehicles', because vehicles with 'electric vehicle' license plates have been seen filling up at gas stations. Castle responded that she will follow up at the next meeting.
2. Author: Melendrez asked who authored the measure to regulate vacation rentals. Castle responded that DPP authored the measure.

Office of Councilmember District 2 Heidi Tsuneyoshi: Councilmember Tsuneyoshi and Michael Sakata reported the following.

- Mililani Mauka District Park: The new Play Apparatus will be developed before the Tennis Courts because it was submitted first, but both have received funding.
- Reinforcement Commission: Former Lieutenant Governor and Judge, Duke Aiona, was nominated by Councilmember Tsuneyoshi's Office and has been elected as Chair of the Reinforcement Commission. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Oral and written testimony can be provided to the Commission. There will be two (2) final meetings on Thursday, October 7, 2021 and Monday, October 11, 2021 before finalizing the new boundary maps.
  - Website: <http://www.honolulu.gov/elections/resources/reapportionment.html>
- Agenda: [http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/clk/clk\\_docs/FINAL\\_Meeting\\_Agenda\\_September\\_28\\_2021.pdf](http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/clk/clk_docs/FINAL_Meeting_Agenda_September_28_2021.pdf)
- Contact: [htsuneyoshi@honolulu.gov](mailto:htsuneyoshi@honolulu.gov) or 768-5037

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Access Meeting: Melendrez asked how the public can participate in the meeting. Tsuneyoshi responded that the meeting is virtual and the link can be found on the agenda located above.
2. Boundary Map: Rogers asked why District 2 is so large. Tsuneyoshi responded that the boundaries are based on population density.

3. Road Work: Chair Hazama asked if there is a schedule available for the road rehabilitation work being done in Mililani Mauka. Tsuneyoshi responded that she will get that information to Chair Hazama.

Office of Senator Donovan Dela Cruz: David Cho reported the following.

- Covid-19: There is a testing and vaccination clinic this Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Wahiawa General Hospital. In general, Mililani has a higher percentage of vaccination rates compared to Wahiawa, so the focus is on the areas with low vaccination rates. Flyers were mailed out to Wahiawa residents and the neighborhood was canvased by multiple elected official's offices.
- First Responders Tech Campus: Congressman Kai Kahele was out in Wahiawa and Mililani to look at First Responders Tech Campus. More information to follow in the next newsletter.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. State Maps: Chair Hazama asked where the State's re-proportion maps are located. Cho responded that the State is required to have their draft maps submitted by January 2022 and will be finalized in February 2022.

Office of Representative Val Okimoto: Representative Val Okimoto reported the following from her monthly newsletter.

- Girls Locker Room: Mililani High School was able to secure over \$5 million dollars in funding for the new two-story girl's locker room. Representative Okimoto expressed her appreciation for Senator Kidani and Senator Dela Cruz for their efforts in the project.
- Meeting with DOE: Representative Okimoto met with Keith Hayashi, interim Superintendent of Hawai'i's State Department of Education (DOE), to discuss what the future plans are for keeping schools open as we navigate through the unknowns of Covid-19. It was agreed upon that everyday our children are out of school they fall behind, so the goal is to keep children in class.
- Covid-19: Drive-thru testing available in Mililani every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by appointment only. To make an appointment visit: [www.preventcovidhi.com](http://www.preventcovidhi.com).
- Food Bank Drive: Mililani Presbyterian Church has hosted a food drive every other month at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for those in the community who are in need of food. The final two (2) of the year will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021 and Saturday, December 18, 2021.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Letter of Opposition: Chair Hazama asked for clarification regarding Representative Okimoto's letter that was sent to the Governor and the Mayor opposing the testing mandate for State and City workers. Representative Okimoto responded that she is not opposed to the testing mandate, she is opposed to the vaccine mandate.

Office of Representative Amy Perruso: No representative present.

#### APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Rogers MOVED and Tamashiro SECONDED the Motion to Adopt the Tuesday, July 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as written. The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent 7-0-0 (Aye: Agader, Hazama, Hom, Melendrez, Oishi, Rogers, Tamashiro; Nay: None; Abstain: None).**

#### REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: The remaining balance was \$262.15.

Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park: Chair Hazama reported that the Advisory Committee for the park has suspended all meetings until the restrictions are lifted.

Education Committee: Melendrez and Hom reported the following.

- Mililani Middle School Updates: Off to a great start this school year with the following statistics: 1500 students; 70 families chose the online distance learning option; the students go straight to class; music plays on speakers outside the cafeteria; the instructors go to the students instead of the other way around; the school held a meet-and-greet for the parents and teachers; the newest building development on campus is going well. With the new building going up, there will be even safe space for students to eat lunch in different areas. On their website they have an easily accessible color coordinated school calendar to reduce any confusion with their four (4)-track system. The website also includes a Return to Work/School curriculum with updated Covid-19 protocols.
- Mililani Ike Elementary School: As mentioned earlier by Shimabukuro, there is an after school traffic plan in place with staggered pick up times. A Christmas tree fundraiser is in the works and there will be a Fun Run on Friday, October 8, 2021.

- Mililani Middle School Contact: (808) 607-9000, [www.mililanimiddle.k12.hi.us](http://www.mililanimiddle.k12.hi.us)

Military and Civil Defense Committee: No report was given.

Parks and Recreation Committee: No report was given.

Planning and Zoning Committee: Oishi reported that last month the State announced that they are going to realign the highway around Turtle Beach and are working on how to eliminate traffic issues out there.

Transportation Committee: No report was given.

Recognition Committee: No report was given.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next Regular Meeting: The next regular Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35 meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

'Olelo Broadcasts: Videotapes of Board meetings are scheduled to be shown on 'Olelo Channel 49 on the 1st Saturday of the month at 6:00 p.m., and 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Submitted by: Dylan Buck, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Spencer Johnson, Neighborhood Assistant

Finalized by:



## **Attachment D**



## PEARL CITY NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 21

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DRAFT TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 VIRTUAL VIA WEBEX ONLY

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Larry Veray called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum was established with 11 members present.** Note – This 11-member Board requires six (6) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Kekuni Agard, Shanda Delos Reyes, Charmaine Doran, Elayne Funakoshi, Guy Inouye, Jayden Liu, Dion Mesta, Lawrence Miyazono Jr., Kelsey Poaha, Tony Velasco, Larry Veray.

**Board Members Absent:** None.

**Guests:** Captain Kurt Ng (Honolulu Police Department); Dean Uchida (Mayor Blangiardi's Representative); Councilmember Brandon Elefante, Tricia Riopelle (Councilmember Elefante's Office); Casey Abe (Governor Ige's Office); Richard Mizusawa (Senator Misalucha's Office); Arlen Ledward (Board of Water Supply); Vicky Bowie (Pearl City Public Library); Victor Flint (US Navy); Carlos Penaloza (Leeward Community College); Johnny Reid (Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transportation); Shane Peters, Kirstin Punu (Waiawa Solar Project); Alex Burtscher (Bank of Hawai'i); Nicola Park (Clearway Energy); Dan Smith, Dwayne Sosa, Sohrab Rashid, Tracy Camuso, Joyce Perreira, Drake Settsu (Residents); Dylan Buck (Neighborhood Commission Office) **were among the 36 total attendees.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

**Items to Add to Agenda with Board Approval:** **Hearing no objections, the Draft Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature to Initiate Legislation to Direct the Hardening of Aging Communications and Electrical Infrastructure for Hawai'i was added to the agenda under BOARD BUSINESS.**

### **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS**

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

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD):** Captain Kurt Ng reported the following.

- **August 2021 Statistics:** Crime statistics are available online at [www.honolulupd.org](http://www.honolulupd.org).
- **Safety Tip:** Captain Ng shared safety tips on scam alerts.

### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**Ethics:** Funakoshi announced that whatever she says or does is not meant to criticize others and that she votes ethically to uphold the oath taken.

**Energy Project Update:** Nicola Park (Clearway Energy) provided brief updates on the Mililani 1 Solar Project and the Waiawa Solar Project. Clearway Energy is one of the largest energy companies in the nation, currently operating 110 megawatts that are producing energy on the grid locally. Both projects, Mililani 1 Solar Project & Waiawa Solar Project, received all the required permits to begin construction. Nicola can be reached at: [Nicola.park@clearwayenergy.com](mailto:Nicola.park@clearwayenergy.com).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. **Sustainability:** Sosa asked if sustainable development is a focus of the project. Park responded yes and their goal is to help the state meet their clean energy goals.

**Gratitude:** Daniel Smith thanked Councilmember Elefante and his assistant Trisha for their work in resolving the bus issues and for getting the City to investigate the left turn lanes at Komo Mai Drive and Waimano Home Road.

### **BOARD BUSINESS**

**Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i Department of Education Expand and Strengthen Transportation Services in the Pearl City School District:** Doran introduced the drafted resolution.

**Doran MOVED and Agard SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i Department of Education Expand and Strengthen Transportation Services in the Pearl City School District. The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent; 11-0-0 (Aye: Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; Nay: None; Abstain: None).**

Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature to Reinitiate Legislation to Mitigate Catalytic Converter Thefts in Hawai'i: Agard introduced this drafted resolution.

**Agard MOVED and Doran SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature to Reinitiate Legislation to Mitigate Catalytic Converter Thefts in Hawai'i.**

Discussion:

1. Opposed: Funakoshi noted her opposition towards this resolution with the reason being that State Representative Sayama had already introduced a bill on this issue during this year's legislative session, and as a courtesy the board should not exclude them.

**Chair Veray passed the gavel to Vice Chair Mesta at 7:24 p.m.**

2. In Support: Veray commented that much of the wording on this resolution comes directly from HPD District 3 and they believe that this is what should be done to take control of the rise in Catalytic Converter thefts.

**The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent; 11-0-0 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** None; **Abstain:** None).

**Vice Chair Mesta returned the gavel to Chair Veray at 7:27 p.m.**

Resolution Urging the Hawai'i State Legislature to Enact Comprehensive Tobacco Regulations and End the Epidemic of Youth E-Cigarette Use: Delos Reyes introduced this drafted resolution.

**Delos Reyes MOVED and Funakoshi SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Urging the Hawai'i State Legislature to Enact Comprehensive Tobacco Regulations and End the Epidemic of Youth E-Cigarette Use. The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent; 11-0-0 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** None; **Abstain:** None).

Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature Initiate Legislation to Require Condominiums, Apartments and Townhome Associations to Plan for Integration of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations by Year 2035: Inouye introduced this drafted resolution.

**Inouye MOVED and Poaha SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature Initiate Legislation to Require Condominiums, Apartments and Townhome Associations to Plan for Integration of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations by Year 2035.**

Discussion:

1. Sustainability: Sosa asked if this resolution has anything to do with sustainable development. Chair Veray responded that the origin of this resolution was to establish more incentives for owning an electric vehicles to encourage more people to buy electric vehicles.
2. Public or Private: Funakoshi asked if these charging stations will be available for the public to use. Chair Veray responded that it would only be available for residents of the association because they pay the energy bill.
3. Gratitude: Mesta thanked Chair Veray for his work on this resolution and for thinking further down the road.

**The Motion PASSED; 10-1-0 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** Funakoshi; **Abstain:** None).

Letter to the Police Commission for Community Input to What the Qualifications Should Be for Selection of the Next Police Chief: Funakoshi introduced this drafted resolution.

**Funakoshi MOVED and Liu SECONDED the Motion to support the Letter to the Police Commission for Community Input to What the Qualifications Should Be for Selection of the Next Police Chief. The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent; 11-0-0 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** None; **Abstain:** None).

Pearl City Foundation, Momilani Community Center request to PCNB to facilitate a Keiki Community Halloween Drive-Thru Event at Momilani Community Center: Poaha introduced this drafted resolution.

**Poaha MOVED and Funakoshi SECONDED the Motion to support the Pearl City Foundation, Momilani Community Center request to PCNB to facilitate a Keiki Community Halloween Drive-Thru Event at Momilani Community Center.**

Discussion: Recipient: Funakoshi asked who the letter is addressed to. Chair Veray responded the Department of Transportation Services (DTS).

**The Motion PASSED by Unanimous Consent; 11-0-0 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** None; **Abstain:** None).

Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature to Initiate Legislation to Direct the Hardening of Aging Communications and Electrical Infrastructure for Hawai'i: Liu introduced this drafted resolution.

**Liu MOVED and Funakoshi SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Requesting the Hawai'i State Legislature to Initiate Legislation to Direct the Hardening of Aging Communications and Electrical Infrastructure for Hawai'i.**

Discussion:

1. Expenses: Funakoshi supports the removal of the poles but not the proposed infrastructure bill. Further commenting that the proposed infrastructure bill is expensive and the burden falls on the following generations.

**Chair Veray passed the gavel to Vice Chair Mesta at 7:48 p.m.**

2. Hurricanes: Veray commented on the disastrous hurricane that just hit Louisiana and further commented on the weak stability of our current infrastructure.

**Vice Chair Mesta returned the gavel to Chair Veray at 7:50 p.m.**

3. In Support: Mesta commented in support of this resolution and the significance it would have on our island in the event of a strong storm.

**The Motion PASSED; 10-0-1 (Aye:** Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; **Nay:** None; **Abstain:** Funakoshi).

**Chair Veray passed the gavel to Vice Chair Mesta at 7:52 p.m.**

#### GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES MONTHLY REPORTS CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative: Dean Uchida (Director of Department of Permitting and Planning) reported on updates regarding illegal Air BnB's, provided follow-up responses to questions from the last meeting, and was available to take questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Traffic Light: Inouye commented that the left-turn traffic light from King Street onto Alakea Street is still 18 seconds long which is not enough time to clear traffic and recommended extending the timing of light to 25 seconds. Uchida responded that he will follow-up on the issue.
2. Uneven Road: Inouye commented that BWS did work near the intersection of Ho'oma'ema'e and Hoolana Street which left the road surface uneven and asked if additional work is being planned to repair the road. Uchida responded that he will follow-up on the issue.
3. Sandbags: Funakoshi commented that the sandbags, that were used for the fence work at the Board of Water Supply (BWS) water tank along Komo Mai Drive (next to the Waiau District park) and Hoohiki, are still in the curb as of a couple of days ago and asked when the sand bags will be removed. Uchida responded that he will follow-up on the issue.
4. Trash Pick-Up: Funakoshi complained that her trash was never picked up, asked what the process is for residents whose trash bin was left curbside but never picked up on the scheduled day. She went on to read a letter to the editor about public workers having a mandate to serve. Uchida responded that he will follow-up on the issue.

Councilmember Brandon Elefante: Councilmember Elefante highlighted his newsletter regarding the Honolulu Youth Commission, Pearlridge Rotary Club, Resolution 21-180 for Affordable Housing 201H-38 applications, Resolution 21-192 to Increase The Affordable Housing Fund, Resolution 21-199 Do Not Block Intersection Proposal, Expired Driver's



Licenses and State ID's, Resolution 21-224 requires a performance audit of the Department of Design and Construction (DDC), and provided a follow-up response to a question raised at the last meeting.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Balanced Budget: Funakoshi asked how the City is balancing their budget given that the State denied the City \$100 million dollars of funding. Councilmember Elefante responded that it will be tough to pass a balanced budget next year and one option to look at is exemptions.

#### STATE OFFICIALS

Governor David Ige's Representative: Casey Abe (Department of Transportation State Highway Division) offered his sincere apology to Funakoshi and DPP Director Uchida regarding concerns of their request for a tree removal at the intersection of Moanalua Road and Ho'omalua Street. Initially Abe thought the tree was located on City and County land but after further investigation it is on State land.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Letter: Veray noted that he is awaiting a response from the Outdoor Circle group and then he will send the letter.
2. Electric Vehicles: Inouye asked if electric vehicles, with only the driver inside, are still allowed in the HOV/Zipper lane. Abe responded that he will follow-up at the next meeting.
3. Speed Bumps: Liu asked what the process is to implement speed bumps in residential areas and nearby schools. Abe responded that it is City land and a Representative of the City can answer the question. Councilmember Elefante responded that these types of requests are common, and the procedure is for the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) to investigate to determine if it would warrant under the Manual of Uniform Traffic Code.

Senator Clarence Nishihara: No representative present; no report given.

Senator Bennette Misalucha: Richard Mizusawa highlighted Senator Misalucha's newsletter regarding legislation, Hawai'i SMART Health Card, Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally on 9/11, T.C. Ching Football Field, and vaccination clinics. Mizusawa also encouraged anyone with ideas for the upcoming legislative session to prepare early.

Representative Gregg Takayama: No representative present; no report given

Representative Roy Takumi: No representative present; no report given.

#### CONGRESSIONAL OFFICIALS:

Congressman Ed Case: No representative present; no report given.

#### CITY, MILITARY AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE MONTHLY REPORTS:

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Arlen Ledward reported the following.

- Breaks: There two (2) eight (8)-inch water main breaks on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 and Thursday, August 5, 2021.
- Upcoming Event: BWS is hosting their second annual 'Imagine A Day Without Water' event at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 21, 2021. The event will be accessible virtually by visiting the following website: [www.boardofwatersupply.com/iadww](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com/iadww).
- General Announcements: The BWS report, general announcements, and additional information can be found at: [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Water Tanks: Funakoshi commented on a tentative agreement made for the permitting of their water tanks. Ledward responded that BWS is not a regulatory agency but everyone should be concerned with our aquifers.

Pearl City Library: Vicky Bowie reported that all Public Libraries are currently closed on Wednesdays due to concerns about the pandemic, Governor Ige issued an executive order requiring visitors to show proof of vaccination or show a negative test result to enter State facilities, and there are concerning reports of the public mistreating library workers because of Ige's executive order.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed. Gratitude: Sosa expressed his gratitude towards Bowie and all the workers at the Pearl City Library.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH): Victor Flint reported that the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial Visitor Center dock needed repair after a steel collar broke and is now ready to resume operations, Red Hill fuel release point of origin was

a broken flange, the U.S. House of Representatives will fund continued Red Hill operations, after years of holding no meetings the Pearl Harbor Restoration Advisory Committee (PHRAC) will begin meeting again and any questions may be directed to Steve at 808-471-3865, and Loko Pa'aiau and oyster restoration was a success.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Representative: Veray asked if Inouye will continue to communicate with PHRAC. Inouye responded yes and was just contacted by PHRAC.
2. Location of Oysters: Funakoshi asked where the oyster restoration project is located. Flint responded that the oysters are located all around Pearl Harbor.
3. Oysters' Function: Funakoshi asked who benefits from the oysters and if they could be harvested. Flint responded that the oysters help cleanse the water so they were restored for environmental purposes and are not for human consumption.
4. Native Species: Inouye made positive comments about several projects that Pearl Harbor is working on to protect and strengthen the population of native Hawaiian species.

Community Associations Update: There are no events currently planned due to the pandemic.

Leeward Community College (LCC): Chancellor Carlos Penalosa reported on increased enrollment, over \$2 million dollars in stimulus funding distributed to students, forgiven student debt totaled over \$2 million dollars, transitions back to on-campus operations, Covid-19 vaccination/testing requirements, and shared the following links.

- The Pearl: <https://www.leeward.hawaii.edu/thepearl>
- Discovery Fair: <http://www.leeward.hawaii.edu/Fair>

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Programs: Inouye asked if Pearl City High School is working on the same advanced placement programs that Waipahu High School offers, which allow for high school students to work on their Associates degree. Chancellor Penalosa responded that PCHS is not quite there yet but they are moving in the right direction.
2. The Pearl: Funakoshi asked what The Pearl's phone number is and if they serve lunch. Chancellor Penalosa responded that the phone number is 808-455-0475 and they start serving lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) Public Outreach Update: Johnny Reid noted the weekly eBlasts regarding HART's speaking engagement with the Hawai'i Chamber of Commerce, reconstructing Moloalo Street at the Pouhala Station, traffic updates, upcoming events, and HART's "Shop & Dine on the Line" Business Spotlight.

- More Information: Visit HART's website [[www.honolulutransit.org](http://www.honolulutransit.org)] or call HART's 24-hour Project Hotline [808-566-2299] or email HART [[info@honolulutransit.org](mailto:info@honolulutransit.org)]

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Road Repairs: Liu asked if HART has a timeline for their planned repaving work on a few roads. Reid responded that with all the projects being processed, the repaving work will come last and is expected to be completed by mid-2022. Liu inquired about other contractors that have jurisdiction in the area. Reid responded that the U.S. Navy has a waterline installation that is permitted through the State Department of Transportation. Liu inquired if there is a map of these projects available. Reid responded that he will create a visual and share it at the next meeting.
2. Minutes: Doran requested that the discussion between Liu and Reid be included in the minutes in depth.

## PRESENTATIONS

Waiawa Renewable Energy Project Update: Shane Peters and Kirstin Punu (AES) presented the following.

- Project Specifications:
  - 30 megawatt (MW) alternating current / approximately 60 MW direct current solar photovoltaic
  - 240 MW hours containerized lithium-ion battery energy storage (BESS).
  - Serves all of O'ahu by feeding into HECO's grid.
  - 20-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) temporary use.
  - Requires commercial operation in 2023.
  - Decommissioning – restore land to existing condition (or comparable) at end of lifespan.
- Benefits: 565 local jobs created from project development and construction. Approximately \$131 million dollars in economic output. Locally-sourced power for approximately 18,000 O'ahu homes. Contributes to shutting down existing fossil fuel plants. Project will deliver power to HECO at a low-cost fixed-price of \$0.12/kWh over 20-years. Helps the state achieve its renewable energy goals.
- Timeline:
  - Project Design & Permitting: 2020 through mid-2022.
  - Build Phase: mid-2022 through mid-2023.

- Operational Phase: mid-2023 through 2043.
- Contact: Visit their website ([www.waiawaphase2solar.com](http://www.waiawaphase2solar.com)), Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WaiawaPhase2Solar/>), or send them an email ([waiawaphase2solar@aes.com](mailto:waiawaphase2solar@aes.com)).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Contract: Inouye asked why the project is limited to 20 years. Punu responded that the land owner, Kamehameha Schools, made that decision and is open to renewing the contract after the 20 years is up.
2. New Road: Funakoshi asked Councilmember Elefante if he can look into the creation of a new road for the Palisades community. Councilmember Elefante responded that he will look into it.
3. Drones: Doran asked if this project has contributed to the drone complaints in the area. Peters responded that they have not used any drones, but did rent a helicopter about a year ago to survey the property.
4. Trees: Veray inquired about the process of removing &/or replacing trees for this project. Peters responded that they are still in the due diligence process and will provide an answer when the information is available.
5. Websites: Sosa requested the websites for both companies. Peters responded that he will include it in the chat.

Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawai'i: As the board adopted the resolution in support of this group earlier this meeting, the presenter did not take any additional time away from the meeting to present on the subject.

Education on Potential Fraud Situations: Alex Burtcher shared information, recent situations, and helpful tips to avoid being taken advantage of by scammers via email, phone, and mail. For more information on scam/fraud protection, you may email Alex Burtcher at: [alexander.burtcher@boh.com](mailto:alexander.burtcher@boh.com).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed.

1. Report Scams: Funakoshi commented about an experience she had with a letter trying to scam her son and asked who she can report this too. Burtcher responded that a good place to start is to contact the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).
2. Scam Log: Delos Reyes asked if financial institutions, like Bank of Hawai'i, are keeping a log of how frequent scams occur monthly/annually. Burtcher responded that Bank of Hawai'i meets with law enforcement once a month to discuss scams but he is unaware of a log being available.

## REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: Inouye reported there is a remaining balance of \$317.28.

Comment: Funakoshi informed that she will no longer delve into other committee's areas and that the board ought to address the following issues: climate change, education, and health.

Tuesday, July 27, 2021 & Tuesday, August 24, 2021 Regular Minutes Approval: A correction was noted.

**Funakoshi MOVED and Inouye SECONDED the Motion to Approve the July 2021 and August 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as Amended. The Motion was approved by UNANIMOUS CONSENT; 11-0-0 (Aye: Agard, Delos Reyes, Doran, Funakoshi, Inouye, Liu, Mesta, Miyazono, Poaha, Velasco, Veray; Nay: None; Abstain: None).**

Correction: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes: Page 2 Public Testimony – After “Funakoshi exited the meeting at 7:28 p.m.” include “as directed”.

Committee Reports: Veray announced that he plans on holding a Transportation Committee meeting towards the end of October 2021, and added that he met with Representative Takumi, a representative from the Attorney General's Office, and a lawyer to discuss plans for the cemetery. Funakoshi reported on recently published statistics about climate change and how the youth feels about their future on the planet.

Public Safety: Funakoshi announced that their committee will be submitting a resolution in support of the oversight committee to follow through on the board's task force/resolution.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

**Vice Chair Mesta returned the gavel to Chair Veray at 9:40 p.m.**

Request: Funakoshi moved to rescind the beautification improvements to Pearl City and to make the Environmental Committee a subcommittee in the Health Environment & Wellness (HEW) committee in light of board member Poaha being chair of both committees. Additionally, she requested to rescind the Community Relations and Electronic Media &



Public Outreach Representatives to separate the Community Relations to also be placed under HEW. Chair Veray deferred the matter to the next scheduled meeting.

**CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Regular Meeting: The next regular meeting for the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 is scheduled for Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 meetings are broadcast on Focus Channel 49 on the 2nd Saturday at 6:00 p.m. and 1st and 3rd Friday at 1:00 p.m. Meetings can be viewed online at [http://olelo.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=30](http://olelo.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=30).

Site Survey: Chair Veray and Kelsey will be meeting with the Department of Health to do a site survey of the Pearl City Community Church Center on Thursday, October 7, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Veray adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Dylan Buck, Neighborhood Assistant  
Reviewed by: Dylan Whitsell, Community Relations Specialist  
Final Review by: Shanda Delos Reyes, Secretary

# Attachment E



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### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED WAIAWA PHASE II SOLAR + STORAGE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the state enacted the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative (HCEI) and Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) with the goal of achieving 100 percent of energy production from renewable sources by 2045; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawaii routinely ranks as having the highest electricity rates in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous local efforts are being undertaken to reduce energy dependence and slow the threat of global warming; and

**WHEREAS**, solar energy coupled with battery storage is recognized as a reliable source of locally produced clean renewable energy that reduces the need for imported fossil fuels while lowering carbon emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, renewable energy projects will enable Hawaii to grow its green economy and provide green employment opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, a new renewable energy project, Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage, with 30 MW ac and 240 MW hours of battery storage is being proposed in Central Oahu; and

**WHEREAS**, the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project is anticipated to generate approximately 565 jobs and \$131 million in economic output; and

**WHEREAS**, the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project would provide enough energy to power the equivalent of 18,000 homes annually; and

**WHEREAS**, the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project would supply energy to the utility at a low fixed cost of \$0.12 kWh; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pearl City Neighborhood Board Number 21 recognizes the importance of contributing to the state's goal of producing 100 percent of Hawaii's energy from renewable sources by 2045, reducing our reliance on imported fossil fuel, and growing our green economy; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Pearl City Neighborhood Board Number 21 supports the Waiawa Phase II Solar + Storage project to help achieve these energy and environmental goals; and



**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Hawaii State Governor, Central Oahu area state legislators, State Land Use Commission, the State Office of Planning, the State Office of Energy, the Mayor of the City & County of Honolulu, Central Oahu city council members, the Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting and Central Oahu Neighborhood Boards.

**Adopted** by the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 at its regular meeting on October 26, 2021 by a vote of 10-0-0.

Larry S. Veray  
Larry S. Veray, Chair



## **Attachment F**



## PEARL CITY NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 21

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 VIRTUAL VIA WEBEX ONLY

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Larry Veray called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum was established with 10 members present.** Note – This 11-member Board requires six (6) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Shanda Delos Reyes, Charmaine Doran, Elayne Funakoshi, Guy Inouye, Jayden Liu, Dion Mesta, Lawrence Miyazono Jr., Kelsey Poaha, Tony Velasco, Larry Veray.

**Board Members Absent:** Kekuni Agard,

**Guests:** Captain Ho (Honolulu Fire Department); Sergeant Chase Inamine, Captain Kurt Ing (Honolulu Police Department); Dean Uchida (Mayor Blangiardi's Representative); Brandon Elefante, Tricia Riopelle (Councilmember Elefante's Office); Senator Clarence Nishihara; Senator Bennette Misalucha; Representative Greg Takayama; Arlen Ledward (Board of Water Supply); Vicky Bowie (Pearl City Library); Victor Flint (US Navy); Carlos Penaloza (Leeward Community College); Johnny Reid (Honolulu Authority on Rapid Transportation); Dan Smith, (Residents); Lindon Valenciano (Neighborhood Commission Office) **were among the 37 total attendees.**

### CALL TO ORDER

#### PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD):** Captain Ho reported the following:

- **October 2021:** 3 structure fires, 4 nuisance fires, 7 activated alarms, 92 medical calls, 6 motor vehicle crash collisions, 1 mountain rescue, and 1 hazardous material incident.
- **Safety Tip:** Halloween safety tips were provided.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD):** Sergeant Chase Inamine reported the following:

- **October 2021:** 8 motor vehicle thefts, 10 burglaries, 41 thefts, 8 unauthorized entries into a motor vehicle, 7,053 total calls.
- **Safety Tip:** Stranger vehicles safety tips were provided.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Support:** Funakoshi inquired if there was any legislation proposed for HPD support.

#### PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

**Bus:** Daniel Smith thanked the Board for passing the resolution regarding the bus issues and noted there was some progress. Doran noted to continue working together for more progress.

#### BOARD BUSINESS:

**Concurrent Resolution Supporting the Hawaii Correctional Systems Oversight Commission:** Mesta introduced the resolution. **Funakoshi MOVED and Liu SECONDED the Motion to support the Concurrent Resolution Supporting the Hawaii Correctional Systems Oversight Commission.** Discussion followed:

- **Concurrent:** Doran inquired and Funakoshi replied that it is a concurrent resolution because it goes both to the House and Senate for support.

**The Motion PASSED by UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

**Resolution Requesting the State of Hawaii and City and County of Honolulu Work to Reduce Visitor Impact on Communities Near the Manana and Waimano Hiking Trails:** Doran introduced the resolution. **Funakoshi MOVED and Doran SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution Requesting the State of Hawaii and City and County of Honolulu Work to Reduce Visitor Impact on Communities Near the Manana and Waimano Hiking Trails.** Discussion followed:

- **Signs:** Funakoshi inquired and Doran replied they need proactive care of the signs.
- **Entry Cost:** Funakoshi inquired and Doran replied that entry costs depend on the partnership.

**The Motion PASSED by UNANIMOUS VOTE.**



Resolution in Support of Proposed Waiawa Phase II Solar & Storage Project: Delos Reyes introduced the resolution. **Funakoshi MOVED and Delos Reyes SECONDED the Motion to support the Resolution in Support of Proposed Waiawa Phase II Solar & Storage Project. The Motion PASSED by UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

Recognition of Joint Base Pearl Harbor Arizona Memorial Tour Narrators: **Velasco MOVED and Mesta SECONDED the Motion to support the Recognition of Joint Base Pearl Harbor Arizona Memorial Tour Narrators. The Motion PASSED by UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

#### GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES MONTHLY REPORTS

##### CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative: Dean Uchida followed up on previous concerns regarding trash and bulky pickup, traffic light timing, and BWS road patch.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Policy Change: Funakoshi reported a policy change and items will be picked up on the next schedule date and bulky items will be picked up at the end of the month.
2. Timing: Inouye reported the signal still has not changed and the problem time is from 7:40 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Councilmember Brandon Elefante: Councilmember Elefante highlighted his newsletter regarding Carissa Moore, Filipino-American History Month, the Department of Design and Construction (DDC) audit resolution, and Pearl Harbor Historic Trail clean-up. Councilmember Elefante followed up on Hoolaulea Street speeding, Hoomalu Street speed bump, and Pacific Palisades community second access road.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Follow Up: Funakoshi will follow up with the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) about speed humps.
2. Waiau District Park: Funakoshi inquired when will Waiau District Park reopen and renovation status.
3. Canal: Funakoshi inquired if more work will be done at Yokaha Street canal.

##### STATE OFFICIALS

State Department of Transportation (HDOT) State Highway Division: Casey Abe addressed previous concerns regarding the tree removal, HDOT amendment to allow electric vehicles to continue using High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane, and No Illegal Dumping sign at Laulima Street and Kamehameha Highway intersection.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Beautification: Chair Veray thanked HDOT for removing the tree and Funakoshi suggested contacting the University of Hawaii (UH) Urban Gardening to provide plants for beautification.

Governor David Ige's Representative: Tommy Johnson reported that Covid-19 cases are going down, but encourages vaccination and remaining vigilant, including the Public Safety initiating the prison inmate vaccine program.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Inmate Vaccination: Funakoshi noted disagreeing with Senator Favela's comments because it should be equally motivating for prisoners to get vaccinated.
2. Restrictions: Miyazono hoped with the numbers going down, they open the community and release restrictions. Johnson reported that the Governor is looking at the numbers and could be making an announcement soon.
3. Testing: Miyazono inquired and Johnson reported waiting on the Governor's guidance regarding testing. Poaha inquired why they are testing only the non-vaccinated when those vaccinated also spread Covid-19.

Senator Clarence Nishihara: Senator Nishihara highlighted his newsletter regarding the National Merit Scholarship, vaccine drive, commended inmate prison vaccine initiative, and Governor releasing correctional systems funding.

Senator Bennette Misalucha: Senator Misalucha recommended visiting [www.oneoahu.org](http://www.oneoahu.org) for updated restrictions. Senator Misalucha reported a Maui site visit, vaccine clinics, and Digital Inclusion Week.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Volunteer: Chair Veray noted upcoming volunteer opportunities.
2. Tests: Resident Duane Sosa inquired if the State and Department of Health will follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) phasing out of PCR tests from late July 2021.

Representative Gregg Takayama: Representative Takayama provided an update regarding the Waimalu Stream situation where the violator returned to the area after being released and noted a bill to deter catalytic converter thefts.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Catalytic Converter: Chair Veray reported the Board passed a resolution regarding catalytic converters.
2. Bridge: Chair Veray shared concerns that a hurricane could wash the items from the Waimalu Stream encampment and take out the bridge on Kamehameha Highway.

Representative Roy Takumi: No representative present; no report given.

Representative Sam Kong: No representative present; no report given.

#### CONGRESSIONAL OFFICIALS:

Congressman Ed Case: Nestor Garcia shared the news editorial regarding the Physical Infrastructures Bill and American Families Plan (Relocation Bill). Garcia announced the annual Congressional app challenge.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Independent Thinking: Funakoshi supports Congressman Case's independent thinking.

#### CITY, MILITARY AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE MONTHLY REPORTS:

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Arlen Ledward reported there was a 12-inch main break on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 98-513 Kamahao Street and an 8-inch main break on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 2261 Aumakua Street. Ledward shared that BWS projects are available online. Ledward reported that BWS does not support single-wall tanks at Red Hill and DOH created a Red Hill task force beginning Thursday, October 28, 2021.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Funding: Funakoshi recommended working with the Congressman for funding to fix Red Hill tanks like California.
2. Water Testing: Doran invited BWS to present on the water testing procedures taken.

Pearl City Library: Vicky Bowie provided the library updated hours (closed on Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving Day) and shared they are offering kupuna learning courses.

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH): Victor Flint shared the Navy's position on Red Hill and will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 28, 2021. Flint reported the fuel release was an operator error, Civil Beat article, clean-ups, and the Pearl Harbor Advisory Board was reinstated.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Tour: Doran expressed gratitude for the harbor boat tour. Doran inquired and Flint replied there is a marina, but civilians tend to stay on the other side of Ford Island and away from Pearl Harbor.

Community Associations Update: No report but will be participating in the events in Board Announcements.

Leeward Community College (LCC): Chancellor Carlos Penaloza shared LCC updates including increased enrollment, computer science professor elected to serve on the career and technical education advisory council, grants recipients, and the culinary program's Thanksgiving grab-to-go event.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) Public Outreach Update: Johnny Reid shared the weekly eBlasts regarding construction update video progress, Monday morning traffic update and overnight closures on Nimitz Highway, Aloha Hula and Crafts business spotlight, and announced upcoming board meetings.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

Storm Water Quality Division Update: The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) Director Roger Babcock provided an update regarding the storm water utility, a dedicated method of funding services needed to maintain Oahu's storm water system, streams, and near shore waters by creating funding certainty and improved programs to be preventative and proactive instead of reactive. Everyone will pay this utility based on the impervious area on a property, however there will be credits, rebates, and provisions available. A timeline of the process was provided with the first bills sent at the end of 2023, early 2024.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Budget: Liu inquired and Babcock replied storm water maintenance is around \$100 million a year. Liu inquired and Babcock replied that the storm water would generate around \$100 million a year where they can be proactive. Liu inquired and Babcock replied that there would be provisions where the funds are used only for stream maintenance.
2. Fees: Doran raised concerns that implemented fees never goes away and it should be decided by the voters.
3. Opposition: Chair Veray noted the Board passed a resolution against the storm water utility.

4. System Age: Resident Sosa inquired and Babcock replied that the storm water utility system varies from new up to 100 years old.

Kalauao Bus Transit Center & Mobility Hub: DTS representative Soniat and G70 representative Wright provided an update for the Kalauao Bus Transit Center next to Pearl City rail station, between Best Buy and Homeward Furniture adjacent to the Pearl Harbor Historic Bike Trail. They are currently in the Special Management Area Permit – Major process with the goal to begin construction in 2024.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Park and Ride: Resident Sosa inquired and Wright replied that there is no park and ride because it is meant to connect the bus and trail. Soniat added that there is a kiss and ride for drop-offs.

#### REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: There is a remaining balance of \$297.38.

September 28, 2021 Minutes Regular Minutes Approval: Funakoshi noted amendments, however there were technical issues and Chair Veray recommended to provide amendments at the next meeting in writing. **This item was deferred.**

**Chair Veray passed the gavel to Vice Chair Mesta at 9:03 p.m.**

#### BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- PCNB Safety on our Roadways Sign Waving Event, Thursday, October 28, 2021 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- DOH COVID-19 Testing and Vaccine Pop-up Event at Pearl City Community Church on Friday, October 29, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Momilani Community Center Halloween Drive-by for Keiki, October 31, 2021 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- DOH COVID-19 Testing and Vaccine Pop-up Event at Pearl City Community Church on Friday, November 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

#### CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Regular Meeting: The next regular meeting for the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 is scheduled for Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 meetings are broadcast on Focus Channel 49 on the 2nd Saturday at 6:00 p.m. and 1st and 3rd Friday at 1:00 p.m. Meetings can be viewed online at [http://olelo.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=30](http://olelo.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=30)

ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Mesta adjourned the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

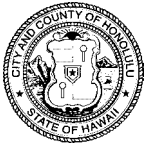
Submitted by: Lindon Valenciano, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Dylan Whitsell, Deputy Director

Final Review by:



## **Attachment G**



## WAIPAHU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 22

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### REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021 VIRTUAL VIA WEBEX

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Chun called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum WAS NOT established with eight (8) members present.** Note: This 19-member Board requires 10 members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present** – Maureen Andrade, Jayton Chang, Cory Chun, Connie Herolaga, Richard Oshiro, Matthew Weyer, Coran Kekipi (logged in at 7:07 p.m.), Cody Rex, and David Enriquez.

**Board Members Absent** – Chuck Wheatley, Darryl Macha, Rustean Cullen-Utu, Manuel Mattos, Valerie Fajotina, Dane Kealanahele, Josiah Koria, and Kezzo Jet Pacanuayan.

**Guests** – Sergeant Alfred Vegas, Captain Kurt Ng (Honolulu Police Department – HPD), Director Roger Babcock, Department of Facility Maintenance – DFM (Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative), Major Brian Ross, Alison Martinez, Rick Black (Military Services-599th Army Transportation Brigade), Deputy Director Morris Atta, Department of Agriculture - HDOA (Governor David Ige's Representatives), Councilmember Augie Tulba, Aaron Ho (Councilmember Augie Tulba's Office), Dion Mesta (Councilmember Brandon Elefante's Office), Johnny Reid (Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit – HART), Senator Clarence Nishihara, Ikaika Mahoe (Congressman Kai Kahele's Office), Meg Turner (Senator Mike Gabbard's Office), Kirstin Punu, Shane Peters (AES), Carlos Penaloza (Leeward Community College-LCC), (Shade Institute) Sandi Yorong, Keolu Peralto, Carol Agbisit, Mr. Toba, John Henry Acidera, E. Chang, Landon (Residents and guests); Naomi Hanohano (Neighborhood Commission Office-NCO).

**INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS** – Those present introduced themselves.

**BOARD VACANCIES - Sub-District Three (3) – One (1) seat** – This item will be carried over due to lack of quorum.

### FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD):** No representative.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD):** Sergeant Vegas gave the report. No questions.

- **September 2021 Statistics:** There were 24 motor vehicle thefts, 19 burglaries, 59 general thefts and 15 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV). There were 7,053 total calls.

**Military Services:** Major Ross gave the monthly report. For more information, go to <https://www.army.mil/hawaii> Alison Martinez's contact phone number is 808-787-4620. New Community Liaison Rick Black introduced himself to the Board. No questions

**7:07 p.m. Board member Kekipi logged in. There are nine (9) members present. Quorum not established.**

### RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. **Fil-Com Center Usage:** Board member Oshiro noted his concern that the city has not been able to come to an agreement for the Waipahu Board to use the facility yet also noting the problem seems to be with the Department of Budget and Fiscal (BFS) and not the NCO who is working to resolve the problem.
2. **Reapportionment:** Board member Oshiro noted some of the changes how the City Council reapportionment plan would affect Waipahu and noted he would like to see this as an agenda item for November. Board member Andrade asked and Oshiro noted this decision is final. Chair Chun noted that he and Oshiro submitted testimony in opposition to the Council reapportionment.

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

**Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative** – Director Babcock gave the report and took questions:

- **Fil-Com Contract:** Several board members expressed their concern that the new BFS personnel will not renew the long standing contract with the Fil-Com Center and Waipahu Board won't be able to meet there

anymore. Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS) response: BFS has been working with NCO and made suggested revisions to the agreement to adequately protect the City. BFS is waiting for a response to the suggested revisions.

Questions, comments, concerns: Toilet on sidewalk: Board member Andrade noted an incident of a resident putting a "port-a-toilet" on a sidewalk, so she called the company to have it removed. Director Babcock confirmed it is illegal to put those types of items on a public sidewalk and if it happens again, please call HPD or the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) to investigate.

Councilmember Brandon Elefante – Dion Mesta gave Councilmember Elefante's report and took questions:

Questions, comments, concerns: Pouhala Station Concerns: Board member Oshiro asked for more specific information on the progress of the Pouhala Station noting his concerns with the lack of funding and other problems. Mesta noted he will bring the concern back to Councilmember Elefante and follow up.

Councilmember Augie Tulba – Councilmember Tulba gave his report which can be found at [www.augietulbahnl.com](http://www.augietulbahnl.com) and took questions:

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Parcel: Board member Andrade noted a homeless structure on a parcel that was recently cleaned up below Waipahu Elementary School is still there and the area is getting "ugly" again. Councilmember Tulba noted they are working on the problem. Community Liaison Aaron Ho noted there are talks to transfer the parcel but does not know anything yet.
2. Support: Board member Oshiro asked and Councilmember Tulba noted he voted "no" and does not support the proposed Transient Accommodation Tax (TAT) proposed by the City for several reasons including he wants to "see the numbers". Oshiro noted his concern that the City is losing the money and it would affect the City's budget. Councilmember Tulba explained he does support the tax but wants to see the breakdown of the money before he makes his final decision.

Governor David Ige's Representative – Deputy Director Atta gave Governor Ige's report and took questions. For a copy of the Capitol Connection, you can go to [www.governor.hawaii.gov](http://www.governor.hawaii.gov)

Questions, comments, concerns: Affordable Housing: Board member Oshiro asked if Deputy Atta could follow with HFDC if there are any affordable housing projects being planned for Waipahu noting that he thought they did have some. Deputy Atta noted he will follow up and report back.

Senator Clarence Nishihara – Senator Nishihara gave his report. No questions. Chair Chun noted the newsletter is available in the Google drive.

Senator Mike Gabbard – Meg Turner gave Senator Gabbard's report which can be found at <https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/MemberFiles/senate/gabbard/Newsletters/2021-10.Newsletter.pdf>. No questions.

US Representative Kai Kahele – Ikaika Mahoe gave Congressman Kahele's report. No questions.

Representative Roy Takumi – No representative. No report.

Senator Michelle Kidani – Senator Kidani's report is available in the Google drive.

Representatives Henry Aquino, Ryan Yamane and Ty Cullen – Their reports are available in the Google drive.

## REPORTS

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – No representative. No report.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART) – Johnny Reid gave the weekly e-blast report which can be found at [www.honolulutransit.org](http://www.honolulutransit.org). Reid noted that he will follow up on Board member Oshiro's concerns regarding the Pouhala Station. No questions.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) – Board member Weyer noted the next virtual meeting will be on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Storm Water Utility Project – Board member Weyer reported the next virtual meeting will be on Monday, November 1, 2021. More information can be found at the DFM website. Chair Chun noted a presentation will be done at the November 2021 meeting.

Reports of Board Member Attendance at Other Meetings – None.

## BOARD BUSINESS

Approval of the Thursday, September 23, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes – This item was deferred due to lack of quorum.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Chang reported a balance of \$307.58

Chair's Report – Chair Chun noted Board member Chuck Wheatley had suffered a stroke and will be resigning from the Board due to his illness. His vacancy in Sub-District 3 will be on the November 2021 agenda.

Waipahu Community Foundation (WCF) – Discussion for Board representation: Chair Chun noted though there is no quorum he wanted to bring this to the board to ask if any board member would be interested in being the board representative to WCF replacing former Board member Marty Burke. He will leave this on the agenda for the next meeting.

Approval of letter to Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) expressing community concerns regarding the Waipahu affordable housing project. Chair Chun noted this letter was requested by Board member Oshiro and is available in the Google drive. The letter is to the HHFDC expressing the Board's concerns regarding the Kamehameha Schools (KSBE) affordable housing project which proposes two (2) 200 foot towers using the 201H statute. Chair Chun noted he is asking for approval of the letter though the board has not taken an official position on the project but wanted to address the concerns and asked Board members to take a look at the letter and also noted the presenters will appear at the January 2022 Board meeting.

## PRESENTATIONS

Waipio Point Access Road Multimodal and Safety Improvements – SHADE Institute: Dean Sakamoto and other representatives from the Sustainable Humanitarian Architecture and Design for the Earth (SHADE) Institute gave a power point presentation showing plans to improve the Waipio Point Access Road to provide safe access through building sidewalks to the Aloha Club House in Waipahu. Residents and elected officials shared their support for this project in the presentation. Chair Chun noted this is a long overdue project but the Board cannot take official action due to the lack of quorum but will put in on the November 2021 agenda for consideration. Sakamoto gave an update of the project and noted the funding will lapse at the end of 2022. Sakamoto also noted it is a “triple double line” project. Board member Andrade encouraged everyone to take a look at this project noting the benefit of the project to the community. Chair Chun noted receiving written testimony of support through the NCO website.

Waiawa Phase 2 Solar and Storage – AES: Kirstin Punu and Shane Peters gave a power point presentation for plans to build a solar farm near the Ka Uka Boulevard exit along the Mililani Cemetery Road. Peters noted there were plans for Gentry Homes to develop the property that fell through and the land reverted back to Kamehameha Schools. Punu shared some renderings of the project and explained the plans for the panels which the energy generated will be fed into the HECO grid. Information can be found at [www.waiawaphase2solar.com](http://www.waiawaphase2solar.com). Peters noted they are looking for support for the project and they have support from two (2) other boards.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Sense: Board member Oshiro noted the size of the project approximately equals to two (2) golf courses, powers 18,000 homes and decommission the project in 20 years and asked how this makes sense. Peters noted they are required to decommission the project in 20 years and return the land to its natural state but keep in mind the velocity at which technology changes, much of this was not possible five (5) years ago and in the future, new, better more efficient technology will probably be available. Peters also noted he cannot say what Kamehameha Schools will do with the parcel in the future.
2. November: Chair Chun noted the Board is not able to take action but will put it on the November agenda for consideration.

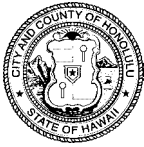
ANNOUNCEMENTS – The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. hopefully at the Fil-Com center but it may be virtual again. The Neighborhood Assistant reminded everyone that the next meeting will be on the third Thursday in November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Submitted by: Naomi Hanohano, Neighborhood Assistant

## **Attachment H**





## WAIPAHU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 22

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### REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021 VIRTUAL VIA WEBEX

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Chun called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. **A quorum was established with 12 members present.** Note: This 19-member Board requires 10 members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present** – Maureen Andrade, Jayton Chang, Cory Chun, Connie Herolaga (logged in at 7:10 p.m.), Richard Oshiro, Matthew Weyer (logged in at 7:06 p.m.), Cody Rex, Sandi Yorong, Darryl Macha, Rustean Cullen-Utu, Valerie Fajotina, Dane Kealanahele, Josiah Korla, David Enriquez, and Rachele Lamosao (appointed).

**Board Members Absent** – Manuel Mattos, Coran Kekipi, and Kezzo Jet Pacanuayan.

**Guests** – Director Roger Babcock, Department of Facility Maintenance – DFM (Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative), Colonel Erik Hilbert, Rick Black, Alison Martinez (Military Services-599th Army Transportation Brigade), Deputy Director Morris Atta, Department of Agriculture - HDOA (Governor David Ige's Representatives), Councilmember Augie Tulba, Aaron Ho (Councilmember Augie Tulba's Office), Councilmember Brandon Elefante, Dion Mesta (Councilmember Brandon Elefante's Office), Johnny Reid (Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit – HART), Senator Clarence Nishihara, Kirstin Punu, Shane Peters (AES), Carlos Penalzoza (Leeward Community College-LCC), Dean Sakamoto (Shade Institute), Cami Closter (G70), Chanel Matsumoto (Hawaii Youth Council), Mr. Toba (Residents and guests); Naomi Hanohano (Neighborhood Commission Office-NCO).

**INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS** – Those present introduced themselves.

**7:06 p.m. Board member Weyer logged in. There are 13 members present.**

**BOARD VACANCIES** - Sub-District Three (3) – Two (2) seats – Chair Chun asked and Rachele Lamosao volunteered to fill one (1) vacancy in Sub-District Three (3) noting she was a former board member and wants to serve her community again after taking some time off to complete her master's degree in Public Administration.

**7:10 p.m. Board member Herolaga logged in. There are 14 members present.**

**Andrade nominated Rachele Lamosao for the District 3 vacancy. The nomination passed with a roll call vote of 14-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahele, Korla, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

**7:16 p.m. The Neighborhood Assistant gave the Oath of Office to Lamosao. There are 15 members present.**

Seeing no other volunteers, Chair Chun noted he will keep the other vacancy on the agenda.

#### FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD):** No representative. No report.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD):** No representative. No report.

**Military Services:** Colonel Hilbert gave the monthly report and took questions. For more information, go to <https://www.army.mil/hawaii>

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. **Thanks:** Board member Andrade thanked Colonel Hilbert for appearing at the meeting and all that he does.
2. **Hosting:** Board member Korla asked and Colonel Hilbert noted he has not seen a need for host families for the holidays but Alison Martinez will get back to the board if they do.

**RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS:** None

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Rick Blangiardi's Representative – Director Babcock took questions:

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Timeline: Board member Andrade asked what the timeline is for the roadwork on Kupuna Loop which involves a road closure on one side of the street because the original completion date was December 2020. Director Babcock noted he will follow up.
2. Clean Up: Board member Koria asked and Board member Andrade noted there is a plan to cleanup Waipahu Street by the "S" turn. Andrade noted Representative Aquino's office is working with several different agencies to coordinate the cleanup. Koria noted he would love to volunteer.
3. Roundabout: Board member Herolaga asked if the pilot program for the roundabout at Hiapo Street and Manager's Drive completed because she feels a four way stop would be more appropriate for the location. Director Babcock noted he will follow up.
4. Road by Rail Station: Board member Yorong asked and Board member Andrade noted being told by the State Department of Transportation (HDOT) that road will not be repaved until the rail station is complete. Board member Oshiro noted he asked the same question at a previous meeting and was told by Johnny Reid that HART was supposed to transfer the road to HDOT in August 2021. Oshiro noted Reid may be able to address that question during the HART report but still feels that road should be repaved soon.

Councilmember Augie Tulba – Councilmember Tulba gave his report which can be found at [www.augietulbahnl.com](http://www.augietulbahnl.com) and took questions:

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Sign: Board member Andrade asked and Councilmember Tulba noted he will work with Councilmember Tsuneyoshi to assure the "Welcome to Village Park" sign will be done.
2. Results: Board member Yorong asked and Councilmember Tulba noted the results of the survey regarding the Transient Accommodation Tax (TAT) was that most community members supported the tax but approximately 62% of the respondents were against the taxes going to pay for the rail. Aaron Ho noted the results of the survey is in the monthly bulletin.

Governor David Ige's Representative – Deputy Director Atta gave Governor Ige's report and took questions. For a copy of the Capitol Connection, you can go to [www.governor.hawaii.gov](http://www.governor.hawaii.gov)

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Ready: Board member Oshiro asked and Deputy Atta noted the State has several efforts going for the use of the federal money such as affordable housing and a significant portion that will go to Agriculture in Hawaii. Deputy Atta noted numerous State departments are working on proposals for the money.
2. Switch: Board member Fajotina noted it is confusing because of a "switch" on the State's message on Covid19 at first saying that children do not transmit the disease but now says that they do. Deputy Atta noted the information that he is giving comes from the Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) and is the latest information that he has.
3. Meeting with Developers: Board member Fajotina noted meeting with the affordable housing developers who answered her questions about the project.
4. Data and Transparency: Board member Chang asked and Deputy Atta noted that he is not certain which department is compiling data regarding the pandemic response and what the State is doing right or wrong but will consult with the DOH to make sure that is being done. Chang noted information changes over time but also noted there needs to be more transparency in the media.

Senator Clarence Nishihara – Senator Nishihara gave his report and took questions.

Questions, comments, concerns: Funds: Board member Yorong asked and Senator Nishihara noted he will follow up if the funds for the Waipahu High School Academy Health Center will be released.

Senator Mike Gabbard – No representative. No report.

US Representative Kai Kahele – No representative. No report.

Representative Roy Takumi – No representative. No report.

Senator Michelle Kidani – Senator Kidani's report is available in the Google drive.

Representatives Henry Aquino, Ryan Yamane and Ty Cullen – Their reports are available in the Google drive.

## REPORTS

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – No representative. No report.

Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transit (HART) – Johnny Reid gave the weekly e-blast report which can be found at [www.honolulutransit.org](http://www.honolulutransit.org) and took questions.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Parking: Board member Yorong asked and Reid noted he does not have specifics on where the cameras are at the Pearl City station but there are over 1500 cameras on the trains and stations alone. Reid noted they are still looking for funding to complete that station and will have more specific information when it becomes available.
2. Permanent Access: Board member Oshiro asked and Reid noted the temporary crossing will be west of the station that will allow people from the sidewalk or the towers to get to the station. The permanent crossing will be at the Kuala Street intersection when construction is completed which is expected to be done in Mid-2022.
3. Delay: Board member Oshiro asked and Reid noted the service date did shift.
4. Traffic Light: Board member Fajotina asked and Reid noted the permanent crossing will be controlled by a pedestrian activated traffic light.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) – Board member Weyer noted the next virtual meeting will be on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Please visit their website for more information.

Storm Water Utility Project – Board member Weyer deferred to Director Babcock's upcoming presentation.

Reports of Board Member Attendance at Other Meetings – Chair Chun noted he attended the November 4, 2021 virtual Keawalau Affordable Housing Project meeting by phone so he could not see any of the renderings but did hear some of the discussion.

## BOARD BUSINESS

Approval of the Thursday, September 23, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes – **Weyer moved and Chang seconded the motion to approve the Thursday, September 23, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously 15-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Korla, Lamosao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

Approval of the Thursday, October 28, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes – **Enriquez moved and Weyer seconded the motion to approve the Thursday, October 28, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously 15-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Korla, Lamosao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Chang reported a balance of \$281.85

Chair's Report – Chair Chun noted there is a letter in the meeting materials to notify the community that the Fil-Com Center will be hosting an event on Sunday, January 2, 2022 and alcohol will be served.

Waipahu Community Foundation (WCF) – Discussion for Board representation: Chair Chun noted the previous representative was former Board member Marty Burke who recently passed away and feels it is important to have a board representative to WCF. Board member Connie Herolaga noted she was Burke's alternate if needed but he was always at the meetings so she never had a chance to attend and volunteered to be the new representative.

**Andrade nominated and Weyer seconded the nomination to appoint Connie Herolaga as the Waipahu Neighborhood Board No. 22 Representative to the Waipahu Community Foundation. The motion passed unanimously 15-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Korla, Lamosao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

Approval of letter to Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) expressing community concerns regarding the Waipahu affordable housing project. Chair Chun noted this letter was requested by Board member Oshiro and is available in the Google drive. The letter is to the HHFDC expressing the Board's concerns regarding the Kamehameha Schools (KSBE) affordable housing project which proposes two (2) 200 foot towers

using the 201H statute. Chair Chun noted he is asking for approval of the letter though the board has not taken an official position on the project and also noted the presenters will appear at the January 2022 Board meeting. Board member Herolaga noted she attended their last virtual meeting where the developers noted they are trying to please the community but feels the changes are not enough. Board member Chang noted he understands the board's concerns about the proposed heights of the buildings but also noted affordable housing is needed in Waipahu and does not see how 60 foot buildings could provide the needed units. Board member Andrade agreed that affordable housing is needed but thinks the developers has not stated many details as far as "dollar signs" and wants to make sure people has all the information needed before buying in to the project. Board member Fajotina noted meeting with the developers who noted many Waipahu residents were interested in their previous Kapolei project. Board member Macha noted the letter is just offering comments on the project to express the Board's concerns and not taking a position on the project. Board member Weyer expressed his concern about the letter. Board member Oshiro noted his concern on how the developer came up with the project as proposed noting the Waipahu Transit Oriented Development (TOD) plan which Board members spent a lot of time and effort working on it and which was the first to be adopted by the City and County of Honolulu is being ignored.

**Oshiro moved and Andrade seconded the motion to approve and send the letter expressing the Waipahu Neighborhood Board No. 22 concerns regarding the affordable housing project to the HHFDC. The motion passed by a vote of 12-2-1 (Aye: Andrade, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Koria, Lamosao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong; Nay: Fajotina, Weyer; Abstain: Chang.)**

Councilmember Brandon Elefante – Councilmember Elefante gave his report. No questions

Resolution Expressing Strong Opposition to the 2022 City and County of Honolulu's Approved Reapportionment Plan. Chair Chun noted he shared the Resolution and approved plan in tonight's meeting materials and also noted this Resolution was suggested by Board member Oshiro because the reapportionment plan splits Waipahu up into three (3) different Council Districts. Chair Chun noted the reapportionment map was made public only a week before it was approved and this Resolution will not change anything and this is just a symbolic gesture. Board member Yorong expressed her concern that Waikale was "lumped in" to Kunia and not Seaview/Crestview. Board member Oshiro noted they were "just a meeting too late" where they did not have this final plan as of the last meeting and Waipahu was a victim of Mililani who wanted to be "intact" and the Waipahu community were blindsided and is now a part of a council district that extends to the windward side.

**Macha moved and Andrade seconded the motion to adopt the Resolution Expressing Strong Opposition to the 2022 City and County of Honolulu's Approved Reapportionment Plan. The motion passed unanimously 15-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Koria, Lamosao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

Waipio Point Access Road Multimodal and Safety Improvements – Chair Chun noted this is a carryover from the October 2021 meeting where they did a presentation and Shade Institute asked for a motion of support.

**Andrade moved and Chang seconded the motion to approve the Waipio Point Access Road Multimodal and Safety Improvements. The motion passed unanimously 15-0-0 (Aye: Andrade, Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Fajotina, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Koria, Lamasao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: none.)**

**9:04 p.m. Board member Andrade logged off. There are 14 members present**

Waiawa Phase 2 Solar and Storage – Chair Chun noted this also a carryover from the October 2021 meeting and AES is also looking for support for the project. Board member Fajotina asked and Shane Peters noted the panels will be not be on agricultural but on urban lands.

**Oshiro moved and Chang seconded the motion to support the Waiawa Phase 2 Solar and Storage Project. The motion passed by a vote of 13-0-1 (Aye: Chang, Chun, Cullen-Utu, Enriquez, Herolaga, Kealanahale, Koria, Lamasao, Macha, Oshiro, Rex, Yorong, Weyer; Nay: none; Abstain: Fajotina.)**

**9:15 p.m. Board member Weyer logged off. There are 13 members present.**

#### PRESENTATIONS

Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawaii Youth Coalition – Proposed Resolution Urging State Action to Address the Youth E-Cigarette Epidemic. Chanel Matsumoto shared a power point presentation entitled "Ending the Youth



Vaping Epidemic" which noted Hawaii has one of the highest rate of youth vaping in the nation and the tobacco industry targets Hawaii when marketing menthol and "local" flavors. Matsumoto also noted it is very easy for kids to purchase e-cigarettes noting students in the 6th grade admitted to purchasing vaping products on line. For more information, go to [www.flavorshookkids.org](http://www.flavorshookkids.org). Matsumoto read the resolution for consideration. Chair Chun asked if anyone would want to make a motion to support the resolution. None was heard. No action taken.

Storm Water Utility Update - Director Babcock noted the City needs to create and fund a Storm Water Utility which will be run by DFM and it is required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). It would create dedicated special fund that can only be used for storm water. Director Babcock explained storm water, how it impacts the environment and noted it is better for the City to maintain the storm water system than to have to react to failed infrastructure due to heavy rain or storms. Director Babcock noted everyone needs to pay the same fee which will probably be approximately \$19.00 to \$23.00 monthly per household, based on the impervious area of your property no matter where you live and this is a new fee which will not be offset in any way and everyone will pay including Federal and State governments. Director Babcock noted there will be some hardship provisions and ways to apply for credits. For more information, go to their website: [www.stormwaterutilityoahu.org](http://www.stormwaterutilityoahu.org). Chair Chun noted Director Babcock asked for a motion of support for the Utility, none was heard.

Questions, comments, concerns:

1. Other Languages: Board member Lamosao asked and Cami Closter noted they are looking into getting this information into different languages.
2. Certification: Board member Fajotina asked and Director Babcock noted that is one reason that this utility will take more than a year to certify each property because they will have to finish all the calculations of how much impervious surface is at each property. Director Babcock noted residential properties would have to be recertified every three (3) years.
3. Tiers: Board member Fajotina asked and Director Babcock noted all fees are based solely on the impervious area on a property and there is no tier system.
4. New Department: Board member Oshiro asked and Director Babcock noted they will be "piggy backing" with the BWS and Department of Environmental Services (ENV) for their data on size and who owns the property and who has or do not have sewer services and who would need to get a storm water bill who do not pay anything presently such as state and federal properties. Director Babcock noted it will take time to go through all the data and establish all the bills.
5. What Prevents: Board member Oshiro asked and Director Babcock noted there needs to be an ordinance to enable the utility to charge the City, the State and the Federal governments.
6. Offset: Board member Chang asked and Director Babcock noted there will be no offset in property taxes and this is a new and permanent fee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Submitted by: Naomi Hanohano, Neighborhood Assistant  
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