

ANAKULI-MAILI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 36

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May 19, 2023

Department of Planning and Permitting 650 South Kings Street 7th Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813



RE: <u>Request to modify Condition No. 1 Special Permit Use Permit (SUP) 2008/SUP-2 Condition</u> <u>No. 5, State Land Use Commission (LUC) Docket No. SP09-403 for the Waimanalo Gulch</u> <u>Sanitary Landfill (WGSL). Tax Map Keys 9-2-050:005 and and Ewa District, Hawaii (Application)</u>

This is to notify that at our regular Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No 36 regular Tuesday, May 16, 2023, meeting, members on the board voted unanimously NOT to support the extension December 31, 2022, deadline to identify an alternative landfill site, further not support ENV application request a two-year extension of time to reevaluate its options.

Further the board does not support any Federal lands located in the Wai'anae Coast be an option for the City's Sanitary Landfill, to remove the Federal Navy Lualualei parcel in Nanakuli as an alternative site. The board supports all Federal lands located in the Wai'anae Coast be returned to the State of Hawai'i, then turned over to the Department of Hawaiian Homelands.

Should you have any questions regarding the above recommendation, please feel free to contact me at 808 723-9161.

Sincerely, Patty Kahanamoku-Teruya CHAIR

Copy: Honorable Governor Josh Green Honorable Mayor Rick Blangiardi Senator Maile Shimabukuro Representative Darius Kila City Councilmember Andria Tupola Chairman Kali Watson, Department of Hawaiian Homelands Neighborhood Commission Office file From: Mario Nanguse <mnanguse@theresortgroup.com>
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2023 4:23 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Community Residents Support Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

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Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Mario Nanguse Makakilo Resident (808)2301050 From: Vicki Cobb <ourplaceofjoy@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 9:52 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Community Residents Support Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

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Vicki Cobb Ko Olina Resident 92-1001 Aliinui Drive #21D Kapolei HI 96707 -----Original Message-----From: Eileen Meuris <emmeuris@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 10:07 AM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Support for Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

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Sincerely, Eileen Meuris Ko Olina Property Owner From: Kimball Shelley <shelleykandm@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 11:08 AM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Landfill Issue

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Resident Testimony Letter #2:

Via Email: gtakara@honolulu.gov

May 15, 2023

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Resident Name Ko Olina Resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: wei L <apt2apt@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 2:06 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
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Wei Lee

KaiLani #16A Ko Olina Resident From: joseph lee <joelee8g@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 2:11 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
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Joseph Lee KaiLani 17A Ko Olina Resident From: Kimberly Kelley <krkelleymd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 4:43 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Waimanalo Gulch LandFill -Community Response

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Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Kelley MD Ko Olina Resident Via Email: gtakara@honolulu.gov

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Kemberly R. Kelley

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From: chungkscd@hawaiiantel.net <chungkscd@hawaiiantel.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2023 5:18 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Re: Waimanalo Gulch

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To: Honolulu Planning Commission,

As a resident of Ko Olina, I 'm very much disappointed what's happening with the Waimanalo Gulch Sanity Landfill(WGSL). it's years and nothing done with no positive result and it seems like history will be repeating itself again.

All the previous sites that chosen but wasn't selected and a lot of money was wasted, didn't anyone considered using Military Land for a land fill?. The Military has a lot on Oahu that's not being used, why don't you look and think about that if it's feasible or possible.

Mahalo, Resident

-----Original Message-----From: Warren Miles <wemiles47@gmail.com> Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2023 6:14 AM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Waimanalo Gulch Land Fill Relocation

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I'm a condo owner in the Koolina resort and I wanted to express my concern about the delay in relocating the landfill at Waimanalo Gulch. I moved to Oahu in 2000 and while looking at a place to live within Koolina I was told the landfill was scheduled to relocate by 2008. Well close to 15 years later there is still no firm plan to relocate the landfill. I fully understand no one wants a landfill near their community but let's be fair to the people on the west side, it's time to bite the bullet/pull the trigger on relocating the landfill. No use citing all the spills over the years and false promises as well as the impact to tourism in Koolina. We all recognize the past problems, but enough is enough. Let's do the right thing and get a firm plan in place. Thanks for your consideration,

Warren Miles KoOlina Resident From: Lmunsonusa <lmunsonusa@aol.com> Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2023 8:37 AM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Cc: Lee Munson <lmunsonusa@aol.com> Subject: Oversight of Landfill Siting Process

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Lee Munson, Kai Lani at Ko Olina

From: Beverly Munson <beverly.chance.munson68@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2023 8:40 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill

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Sincerely,

Beverly M. Munson, Kai Lani at Ko Olina

From: Bart Rice <bfrice@alumni.rice.edu>
Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2023 10:31 PM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
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Sincerely,

Bart Rice, Ko Olina Resident

92-1001 Ali'inui Dr, Apt 18B

Kapolei {KoOlina}, Hawaii 96707

808-744-8763

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Sincerely, Michael Grabow Ko Olina Resident From: MGrabow <mgrabow4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 6:09 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
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Please see attached letter for your consideration.

Thank you,

Michael Grabow Ko Olina Resident From: Colleen Mehrer <rogncol@aol.com> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 7:22 AM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Landfill relocation

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I am a resident of Ko Olina and am concerned about the lack of progress in selecting a new landfill site. When we purchased our property in 2003, we were told that the landfill would be closed by 2008. We are still waiting 15 years later, and no progress has been made. The residents of West Oahu have born this burden long enough, and it is time that the landfill is moved to a new site.

Please urge the members of the selection committee to get serious about selecting a new site. No one wants a landfill in their backyard, so it will always have push-back no matter where you go, but there must be another location on this island that is suitable.

Thank you for your attention and diligence in moving this process forward.

Thank you, Colleen Mehrer Kai Lani Ko Olina

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Cristina Martinez Ko Olina Resident

From: Josephine Quirante <jquirante@cristinapowerhouse.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 7:51 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Cc: Cristina Martinez <cmartinez@cristinapowerhouse.com>; kailaniadm@gmail.com
Subject: Landfill Extension - WGSL

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Thank you,

Joy Quirante for Cristina Martinez Finance Administrator **Cristina Martinez Company**

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RE: Community Residents Support Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

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The pending application for an extension to the State Land Use Commission's deadline for identifying a new landfill site is just the latest delay in a long history of delays. The Landfill should have been closed and a new landfill opened a long time ago. The LUC had ordered the Landfill to close by 2008 and a new site to be selected by 2004. However, instead of following the LUC's directives and the site selection committee's recommendation, the City selected the existing Landfill as the "new" landfill.

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Given the long history of delays and harmful effects on our community, I urge the Honolulu Planning Commission to require ENV to report quarterly in person to the Commission on its efforts to select a new landfill. This oversight will provide us with reassurance that the risks and benefits associated with the proposed designation of a new site are being properly taken into consideration.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Hernani J. Mendage

Hernani Mendoza Ko Olina Resident From: Josephine Quirante <jquirante@cristinapowerhouse.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 7:52 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Cc: Hernani Mendoza <hmendoza@cristinapowerhouse.com>; kailaniadm@gmail.com
Subject: Landfill Extension - WGSL

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To Honolulu Planning Commission,

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Thank you,

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To the Honolulu Planning Commission,

Please see attached and below regarding my deep concerns related to the ongoing issues with the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill.

Regards,

Anne M. Pianca

May 15, 2023

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Ko Olina Community Association, Inc. Testimony Project #2023/SUP-2(FK) May 15, 2023

RE: KOCA Supports Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

The Honolulu Department of Environmental Services ("ENV") has missed every deadline associated with the closure and replacement of the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill ("WGSL" or the "Landfill"). Its pending application seeks to push off the December 31, 2022 deadline to select a new landfill. ENV must be held to its closure deadline of March 2, 2028. To ensure the deadline is met, Ko Olina Community Association, Inc. ("KOCA") asks that the Honolulu Planning Commission require ENV to report quarterly in person to the Commission on its efforts to select a new landfill. Reporting during Commission meetings will provide the public with an opportunity to provide testimony and enable the Commission to hold ENV accountable.

KOCA is part of the Leeward community that has been adversely affected by the Landfill. Over the years, Ko Olina's residents, workers, and visitors have expressed concerns regarding odors, noise, dust, blasting, visual blight, truck traffic and flying litter from the Landfill. LUC 11/1/19 Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order Approving with Modifications the City and County of Honolulu Planning Commission's Recommendation to Approve Special Use Permit ("LUC Decision"), Finding of Fact ("FOF") ¶ 327. Indeed, in 2012, the Landfill released unknown quantities of municipal solid waste, sewage sludge, leachate, and medical solid waste into coastal waters. *Id.* ¶ 340.

The pending application involves the most recent delay in a long history of delays to identify a new landfill. ENV has asked to extend a deadline set by the State Land Use Commission ("LUC") to "identify an alternative landfill site that may be used upon closure of WGSL." LUC Decision at 104. The current deadline passed five months ago on December 31, 2022. *Id.*

The Landfill should have been closed and a new landfill opened a long time ago. The Landfill was ordered by the LUC to close by 2008 and a new site selected by 2004. LUC Decision, FOF ¶ 286. Several sites were identified by a site selection committee. Instead of following the LUC's directives and the committee's recommendation, the City selected the existing Landfill as the "new" landfill. *Id.* ¶¶ 287-89. The ENV was then ordered to begin the process of identifying and developing a new site by 2010 with reasonable diligence. *Id.* ¶¶ 59, 405. Another site selection process followed, sites were identified, but no site was selected.

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ENV has asked for more time to address issues posed by Act 73. This law was enacted in 2020, a year before the site selection committee was convened. ENV now proposes to explore the use of federal lands and to work with the Hawai'i Legislature on amendments to Act 73. These avenues should have been pursued prior to the initiation of the site selection committee process.

ENV's request for more time to select a new landfill should be viewed in this context of the long history of delays and harmful effects on the community. To ensure that a new landfill is selected as soon as possible and the closure deadline is met, the Honolulu Planning Commission should require ENV to report quarterly in person to the Commission on its efforts to select a new landfill. Meetings before the Commission will provide the public with a forum to participate in the process and offer public testimony. The Commissioners will be able to consider that public input to ask the right questions and hold ENV accountable. Oversight by the Commission will provide the community reassurance that the risks and benefits associated with the proposed designation of a new site are properly taken into consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely, Ko Olina Community Association, Inc.

Ken Williams General Manager

From: Kristin Vasquez <kristin.vasquez@koolina.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 10:17 AM
To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov>
Subject: Waimanalo Gulch Land Use Extension - 2023/SUP-2(FK)

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Aloha Ms. Takara,

Please find attached testimony for the Ko Olina Community Association.

Mahalo,

Kristin Vasquez

Ko Olina Community Association, Inc. 92-1047 Olani Street, Unit 1206 Kapolei, HI 96707 Phone: (808) 791-2199 Fax: (808) 671.3640 Kristin.Vasquez@koolina.com

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From: Maeda Timson <angelhale@aol.com> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 1:12 PM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Landfill letters

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Honolulu Planning Commission Via Email: gtakara@honolulu.gov

RE: Community Resident Support to Increase Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Toni A. Floerke Ko Olina Resident

From: Toni Floerke <toniafloerke@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 6:09 PM To: Takara, Gloria C <gtakara@honolulu.gov> Subject: Letter of Request - Landfill Issue

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Ms. Takara, Please see my attached letter of request. Aloha & Blessings, Toni Floerke

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Nic Politsch Ko Olina Resident From: Nicolas David Politsch <politsch@uci.edu>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 10:41 PM
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Subject: Koolina Landfill Opposition

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Residents Testimony

June 25, 2023

Honolulu Planning Commission dpp@honolulu.gov

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I support the closure of WGSL in my community. ENV must be held to its closure deadline of March 2, 2028. Please provide additional oversight so that ENV does not waste more time and tax dollars delaying the identification of viable landfill site alternatives. ENV has eroded my community's trust in this process. Oversight by the Planning Commission will provide my community reassurance that the risks and benefits associated with the proposed designation of a new site are properly taken into consideration.

Sincerely,

Karen Messick

Karen L Messick 92-1072 Olani Street Apt 2 Kapolei, HI 96707 From: Karen Messick <<u>karenmessick@aol.com</u>>
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2023 10:55 AM
To: Department of Planning and Permitting <<u>dpp@honolulu.gov</u>>
Cc: Kristin Vasquez <<u>Kristin.Vasquez@koolina.com</u>>
Subject: Special Use Permit Waimanalo Gulch

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RE: **Community Residents Support Increased Oversight of the Landfill Siting Process**

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I support the closure of WGSL in my community. ENV must be held to its closure deadline of March 2, 2028. Please provide additional oversight so that ENV does not waste more time and tax dollars delaying the identification of viable landfill site alternatives. ENV has eroded my community's trust in this process. Oversight by the Planning Commission will provide my community reassurance that the risks and benefits associated with the proposed designation of a new site are properly taken into consideration.

Sincerely.

Dale + Marla Fishell, Dale full Ko Olina Resident

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