

Aiea Community Association
April 19, 2021

This meeting was conducted virtually via Go To Meetings
7pm, Kalauao, Oahu

- I. Introductions: Scot Chan, Reid Chung, David Dupont, Joseph Earring, Ronald Fitch, Marissa Gonzales, Ralph Hasegawa, Jordon Higa, Karen Higa, Joanne Iritani, Keola Kalani, Andy Kaufman, Chris Kinimaka, Kehaulani Lum, Lance Maja, Bettina Mehnert, Bennette Misalucha, Kimberly Mills, Susan Morishige, Mavis Niino James Pastine, Jane Sugimura, Gayle Takasaki, Claire Tamamoto, Russell Tsuji,
- II. Secretary's Report: February minutes posted on the website: aieacommunity.org.
- III. Treasurer's Report: Claire introduced Reid Chung, recently joined the ACA, an Aiea resident that works at American Savings Bank. He has volunteered to be our Treasurer. Claire reported total monthly expenditures were 1069.55; \$177.93 to Aloha Power Equipment, \$791.62 to ACA shirts, and \$100 for the food banner. We gained one membership for \$20.00.
- IV. Mass Transit: Staff at HART is in transition. Hopefully Harry or Marissa to attend for HART. Harry Cho reported the City Central Utility Relocation (CCUR) contract has been canceled with Nan Inc. By mid-year pending items should be completed. Re-procurement with a new contract to be done. The Dillingham corridor guideway will be shifted mauka from Kapalama stream to Ka'aahi St. Still in design. The Dillingham contract will hopefully be awarded by 2022. Designs for utility relocation from Iwilei-Ala Moana about 100% complete. Contract for Iwilei to AM scheduled to be awarded by the end of year. There will be Wi-Fi in all trains, contracted in 2020. The dynamic testing is taking place 24 hours for operations from Kapolei to Halawa. Harry addressed Kim Moa's question regarding the yellow sand barrels, as there is rubbish accumulating and the sand barrel had been kicked over. Contractor tidied up the area. Guardrail to be installed at the sand barrels. Question regarding the website not being secure. HART is in process of getting a new provider for the website. May want to try and proceed or use another browser. HART April newsletter on the ACA website.
- V. Senior Housing: EAH: Waiting for word on State for funding. Funding applications for Affordable Housing was very competitive with 25 applicants. Claire has requested that Councilperson Fukunaga's Office follow up for us.
- VI. OCCC: Bettina shared the April Newsletter. Highlights are a brief write-up on the role of PSD in our State and legislative bills. Department head, Max Otani, provided testimony that the PSD supports reducing inmate population without compromising safety; wants inmates to succeed; supports criminal justice, rehabilitative services, humane living conditions, and justice reform. This is in HCR 172 (2021) testimony. The Correctional Oversight Commission-Advisory for the development of OCCC, supports the replacement of OCCC and to improve services; this has been known for over 20 years. Inquiry regarding prison funding: no funds have been requested; funds have been allocated for request for interest. No funding for construction, looking for financing. Could prison be private? To design and build the facility, yes; to operate, no. Operation is by the State. If P3 (public private partnership), private partner would bring in financing. State

taxpayers would pay back annually, and the upfront cost burden would be assumed by the private partner.

Inquiry regarding illustration of the proposed facility on the Powerpoint presentation as it appears the prison is taller and denser. An outdated sketch was used, and clarification of the layout will be brought to next meeting.

Any consideration for an outside entity with expertise with prison programming to run the operations? Appears not, could provide maintenance servicing the building, rather than inmates. Programs being developed in design to make the facility better.

VII. Aloha Stadium: Q & A responses, meeting recordings on website along with the draft EIS. If you would like to receive the newsletter send in your email or the newsletter can be reviewed online at nased.hawaii.gov. Clarification regarding recent comments by blogger Ian Lind, and articles by David Shapiro and Andrew Gomes have been responded to in a Q & A format. Made info widely available to the media.

In planning for the site, the goal is not to bring Waikiki to Aiea but rather to enhance current experiences. The District is to be local centric. There are over 300 events a year, 50+ per year for athletics. Currently events at the stadium have use of the field, scoreboard and parking lot areas are available.

Illustrations of high-density affordable housing with 20,000 units and 100,000 units were presented. This upcoming Thursday, there will be a panel discussion on Insights. Chris Kinimaka, Senator Wakai, Neighborhood Board Chair 18 Aliamanu/Salt Lake, and a Stadium Authority member will be on the panel. You are encouraged to call and email any questions. Question regarding why was Aliamanu's neighborhood chosen when just a sliver of their turf is in the planning area? Claire believes they reached out to Glen Wakai's neighborhood. Aiea should be represented. Suggested that Insights be contacted. Reminded that the panel will be responding to inquiries.

Legislative Session is coming to a head, hope bills that support the stadium survives. Recent and current events at the Stadium include the 3rd and final week of the Laser Light show: there are 2 shows on Thurs, Friday Sat; and 1 show on Sunday. Lasers do have a terminus point. Consultation with FAA has taken place.

Regarding a vaccination site, HFD looking at the Stadium as a point to deploy mobile units to go out to communities. Graduations in May to take place.

VIII. Loko Pa'aiau: Construction beginning on the wastewater system for the housing in the vicinity, possibly until September. No longer weekday workdays, just weekends. Beautiful peaceful environment.

IX. Gateway: Claire read report from Ken. Lost water source for 2-3 weeks because the water was left running. Should be back on. Clean up of the site takes place on Saturdays on the week of the ACA meeting in the early morning 6-8am. Sign coordination and design taking place, getting permits for signs. Crown flowers and mamaki proposed to be planted for the butterflies. Would like to do a kite project.

X. 'Aiea Height Beautification Project: Area is 'Aiea Heights Drive between Ka'amilo St. and Rec. Center. Hoping to get 12 residents interested to call a meeting together with Carol Fukunaga. Lower Aiea Heights Drive has a larger green area. Areas along the Drive and bus stop areas are being eroded.

- XI. Representative Reports: Senator Misalucha shared highlights of the legislative session, HB200-the budget bill passed and is going to conference committee. Volunteer week is April 18-24, and an inaugural Community Heroes for Aiea /Pearl City sponsored by Senator Misalucha's Office and Kanu Hawaii will be recognizing our hero, Claire Tamamoto this year. Mahalo to Kehaulani Lum, whose compelling words of nomination of Claire touched the judge's heart. Claire, as a humble leader stated that a leader cannot be a leader without followers, and she could not do it by herself.
- XII. Feral Chickens: Lynn caught another chicken. Instead of a contest, we should consider buying cages and letting neighbors borrow cages. It was noted that the City has allocated \$50,000 for feral chickens out of the executive budget; however, this is for the entire island. Cage is easy and effective, humane society comes right away. Cages are about \$200.00 per cage.
Need to put cages on private property and Library. Motion to appropriate \$500.00 to purchase Chicken cages. Thru unanimous consent, motion passes. Chickens roosting on hale koa trees on Library property. Could try half an onion on a stick to capture chickens.
- XIII. Membership: JoAnne, Kehau, Claire, and Ron met in regard to the by-laws and organization. Current by-laws allow the President to appoint the Board. Membership dues were deferred for 2020. March meeting collection of dues started up again. The new board should be seated in January. How do we set up nomination? When bylaws were developed, we were a Community Based Development Organization [CBDO] that has some clout if we wanted to do something for grant funding. The by-laws indicate what the board should look like: 51% of the members have to be low to moderate income, the Director has to be part of a non-profit serving the area, or members should be servicing low to moderate income persons.
We need to determine if we need to maintain the CBDO for pre-qualifier designation- this may be essential to the community center.
Term limits of 1 year for Officers; Directors for 2-year terms. By nomination tonight we will round up the Board and fill empty seats. Nominating committee will propose election for 2022 and we would initiate the term limits. Our by-laws are not current, but we are unable to discuss without a full board. By following the by-laws as written, the Board can be appoint. Term limits are not maximum, and members can be reelected. 50% of the Board of Directors will be for a 1-year term and 50% for a 2 year term.
To insure diversity of the Board, HUD standards should be used. Moderate income is about \$68,750.
Between now and election, focus on membership and engaging people. Claire appointed Kehau, Laurie, Joanne, Keola to 2-year terms starting January 2021. Candidates proposed and approved unanimously are posted on the aieacommunity.org website as ACA Proposed Board of Directors.
Membership form: In by-laws, lifetime memberships are not recognized so dues are good for 10 years. Could follow up with provisions for lifetime membership. Those that paid dues can vote.
- IVX. Misc: April 24 is Earth Day. PHHT clean-up with Hawaii Bike League, want 10 groups 100 volunteers. May 10, 7pm Neighborhood Board meeting, Our next ACA meeting will be at 7pm. Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm