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# CONFERENCE REPORT

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<b>TO:</b> MEMORANDUM OF RECORD	
<b>FROM:</b> George Atta / Barbara Natale	
<b>DATE:</b> August 30, 2011	
<b>PROJECT:</b> DHHL Waimānalo Regional Plan	<b>PROJECT NO:</b> 29039-01
<b>SUBJECT:</b> DHHL Waimānalo Regional Plan Update Community Meeting #1	
<b>LOCATION:</b> Waimānalo Community Center Hālau	<b>NO. OF PAGES:</b> 4
<b>THOSE PRESENT:</b>	Chairman Alapaki Nahale-a, DHHL Kaleo Manuel, DHHL – Planning Office Todd Gray, DHHL- Land Management Office Don Aweau, DHHL – Office of the Chairman Commissioner Joe Tassill Senator Pohai Ryan Representative Chris Lee

Attendees from Community: Danny Low, Jennie Low, Apela Peahi, Cardie L., Vince T., Yvonne Camara, Lorraine Higa, Renwick "Uncle Joe" Tassill, June Y. Toguchi-Tassill, Niu Li Heine, Leina'ala Heine, Arthur B. Machado Jr., Jamie Suneu, Raymond A. Mokiao and Annie K. Mokiao, Jessica Koakua, Keoki Emond, Jennie K. Kahlbaum, Lehua Fuller, Paul Richards, Carolyn L. Lono, Kapuanani Zuttermeister, Marlena Roman, Iluna Jamila, John P. Keama, Jeremiah Punahale, George Keolanui, Chris Lee, Jorene M. Pacyau, Samuel Pacyau, Sharon Basmayor, Sandra Clarke, Herbert Kihoi, Don Aweau, Leocadia Emma Hashimoto, Kaipo Punahale, Maile Kaopua, Richard Bolo Kahawai, Marvella K. Laughlin, Annette Wong, Carol Bright, Rocky Kaluhiwa, Kualoha Hanohano, Edwin Hanohano, U. Lastimoso, Rosemary Lani, Jerry L.U. Kaluhiwa, Moana Akana, Lillian Keawaehu (Approximately 47 people)

**HANDOUTS:**

- Agenda
- Status of Existing Projects and Issues / Opportunities

**AGENDA**

1. Pule & Introductions
2. Purpose of DHHL Regional Plans
  - Kaleo gave a powerpoint presentation that reviewed the DHHL General, Strategic, Island and Regional Plans, and how they work together. He stressed that these community meetings are important to understand the specific issues of each region, so that DHHL can properly address these needs.
3. Schedule for Waimānalo Update
  - The remaining meetings will be as follows:

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORDS

DHHL Waimanalo Regional Plan Update Meeting

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- September 13 – Identify Priority Projects
  - October 4 – Review Priority Project Writeups
  - November 14 – Hawaiian Homes Commission Meeting
4. Status of Existing Projects
- Barbara reviewed the status of priority projects from the 2008 Waimānalo Regional Plan. Please refer to the handout.
5. Review of Issues & Opportunities
- George reviewed the issues and opportunities that have been realized up until this point. Please refer to the handout.
6. Open Discussion
- The community brought out issues and ideas for projects throughout the meeting.
7. Next Meeting
- The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, Waimānalo Community Center Hālau

**STATUS OF EXISTING PROJECTS**

Barbara reviewed the status of existing projects on the handout. Paul Richards graciously gave an update on the CTEEC status. Comments were not received for all of the items on the list (Kumuhau, Kaka'ina, Wong Farm Acquisition, Kalaniana'ole Highway Retaining Wall, Waimānalo WWTP, Waimānalo Well III, CTEEC), but those items that did receive comment are noted below.

Waikupanaha Improvements / Ilauhole Street Extension

- Although this name is on the street sign, the correct spelling is Ilauhoe, who was an ali'i in Waimānalo.
  - This story should be reflected in the regional plan
- Additional and alternative access is needed to move people further inland for emergency purposes and to provide increased access out of Waimānalo
  - Additional access (1-2 roads) may be possible through the development of the Wong Farm parcel. This will be identified as a planning issue in that project when it is developed.

Kalaniana'ole Highway Bikeway

- Improvement is from Makapu'u Lookout to Waimānalo Beach Park
- DHHL will investigate the priority and safety reasons behind this project

Kalaniana'ole Highway Bridge Replacement, Inoa'ole Stream

- What type of bridge will it be?
- Inoa'ole Stream means no-name stream; Hawaiians had a name for all streams, so research on the name should be conducted.

Kalaniana'ole Highway Improvements

- There will only be two lanes of improvement; the community did not want it widened to four lanes
  - Improvements will be in the form of bus pullouts, turn lanes and wider shoulders.
- How will the traffic generated from the increase in homes be handled?
  - This issue was considered in the planning for the improvements.

## **ISSUES / OPPORTUNITIES**

George began to review the list of issues and opportunities that have been compiled so far. There was not enough time to discuss all of the categories listed (Infrastructure, Resource Management, Miscellaneous), but a broad range of comments were provided by those in attendance.

### HOUSING

- Many are frustrated by the wait
  - People longest on the list should have priority
  - Condense the two lists to one
  - Change the right to sell/transfer newly acquired leases
- Need other options for obtaining a home
  - Rent to own
  - More self-help
  - Make it accessible/feasible
  - Would like to have simple homes, don't need fancy \$270K homes
  - Transitional/temporary housing for young Hawaiian families, i.e. Townhouses
  - Kauhale Model
- Getting a loan is a big issue
  - How to qualify for loans/repairs?
  - If I don't qualify for a loan, will I be passed over? (Kumuhau)
  - Educate young people to get them finally ready to own a home
    - (Program H.O.A.P. has been helpful in the past but has recently languished )
- Older homesteads – Going Green
  - Sustainability – retrofitted?
  - Aquaponics
  - Affordable
  - Project – backyard gardening

### Potential Project: Support additional opportunities for housing

- Change policies
- Look at transitional opportunities
- Expand types / styles of housing
- Increased education on loans and home ownership / maintenance

### COMMUNITY

- Shopping Center/Open Market
  - On corner of Nakini and Kalaniana'ole Hwy
  - Include a Foodland
  - Preference should be given to lease spaces to Hawaiians
  - Keep revenue within the community
  - Economic incubator
- Hawaiian Village
  - Sherwood Forest should be considered for this concept
  - Similar to Keaukaha
  - Gift shops, hula, - tourists were bussed there

- Work with Military / DLNR

Potential Project: Support Hawaiian-Owned/Run Business

- Identify locations for potential businesses (i.e. Nakini/Kalaniana'ole, Sherwood Forest)
- Create a working relationship with other agencies to add support to DHHL constituents
- Important to take part in educational opportunities offered by DHHL/others

Potential Project: Identify Location for a Cultural Academy

- Face east, have access to the mountain and ocean
- Classrooms to teach/practice cultural history, language, chants, prayers, hula, medicinal, lomilomi
- There is a need – currently no place to do this
- Site in mind already, about 3 acres

PARKS

- Kaupō Beach Park
  - Can the lease be revoked? (currently 35 year license to City)
  - Potential area for cultural activities
  - Check with Waimānalo Civic club and their current interest with Kaupō
  - Permission for activities need to be approved by DHHL
  - State and city programs available (i.e. Legacy Lands) for cultural preservation
- Kupuna Terrace
  - There are safety and liability issues
  - The City is responsible to address these questions since the area is licensed to them

TRANSPORTATION

- The need for a bypass road was a concern for the Waimānalo Hawaiian Homes Association

DHHL Follow up:

- What are the two lists that were mentioned and why did this happen?
- What happened to the H.O.A.P. program and will it return?

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- Conduct research on:
  - The type of bridge that will be at Inoa'ole Stream?
  - The real name of Inoa'ole Stream?
- What is the rationale for having the bike path at that location and not extending further?



DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS  
BENEFICIARY CONSULTATION

## **Waimānalo 2011 Regional Plan Update**

### **Community Planning Meeting**

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

Waimānalo Community Center Hālau

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

#### **AGENDA**

- I. Pule and Introductions
- II. Purpose of DHHL Regional Plans
- III. Schedule for Waimānalo Update
- IV. Status of Existing Projects
- V. Open Discussion:  
Issues & Opportunities
- VI. Next Meeting:  
September 13, 2011  
Identify Priority Projects

## STATUS OF EXISTING PROJECTS

- a) Kumuhau
  - Mostly completed – 52 lots total, with 45 turnkey and 7 self-help
  - Sewer connection to the City lines has been completed
  - Homesteaders started moving in around May/June of this year
- b) Kaka'ina
  - Currently in the design phase – 44 lots planned
  - Infrastructure will go out to bid in October
  - Construction to begin next year
- c) Wong Farm Acquisition
  - Negotiate transfer of lands, relocate lessee (Wong Farms) to neighboring property for purpose of constructing new homes
  - CTAHR has Master Plan
  - Currently in the subdivision process, but being held up by the City
  - Once approved, land development will occur
  - 200 units are planned
  - Water at the site is used by farmers for irrigation
- d) Waikupanaha Improvements / Ilauhole Street Extension
  - The road was initially proposed in 2006. Funding appropriated with support from Rep. Waters, has since lapsed.
  - Subsequently, funding attempted again but priority given to California Avenue and North/South Road.
  - It is a political process, but still on the plan. WHHA and DHHL are working with area politicians to push it through.
  - The road will provide emergency access (tsunami), and a road to jobs (i.e., CTAHR) from subdivisions
- e) Kalaniana'ole Highway Bikeway
  - Construction to begin in 4Q 2013
- f) Kalaniana'ole Highway Bridge Replacement, Inoa'ole Stream
  - Construction to begin in 4Q 2014
- g) Kalaniana'ole Highway Improvements
  - Phase I (Olomana Golf Course to Poalima Street) construction to begin 4Q 2013
  - Phase II (Poalima Street to Aloiloi Street) design to begin in 2014
  - Phase III (Aloiloi Street to Waimanalo Beach Park) design has been deferred to 2016
- h) Kalaniana'ole Highway Retaining Wall
  - Completed
- i) Waimanalo WWTP
  - Upgrades completed in 2008
  - Sewer connection moratorium lifted August 2011
  - City has still not accepted the plant
- j) Waimanalo Well III
  - Currently processing a change order in design
  - Should be completed within a few months (October or so)
- k) CTTEC (Community Technology, Telehealth and Employment Center)
  - Now CTEEC – (Community Technology, Education and Employment Center)
  - Transaction closed the week of August 22
  - By Sept 15 have to break ground, then the contractors begin
  - This will have the first recording studio in Waimanalo

## ISSUES / OPPORTUNITIES

- a) Housing
  - More kūpuna housing needed, preferably near the beach for access to fishing
  - Land taxes - What is received in return?
    - The City and County of Honolulu's real property tax provides for police, fire protection, emergency services, water safety, parks, sewer, refuse and other essential City services
- b) Community
  - Safety, sustainability, food sovereignty / security - Backyard aquaponics; Aquaculture
  - Cultural imu area
    - As a traditional cultural imu, has to be private imu and not meant for commercial sales
    - .25 acre designation would suffice
    - Phase III of the community center will have a certified imu
  - Waimanalo Business Park Project
    - Will provide \$550,000 for road access to CTEEC
    - City conducted study on this entitled Waimanalo Community Business Center
  - HPD satellite office – could be located in the Association's building across from the Waimanalo Beach Park
  - Waimanalo Village Center - A plan to improve various aspects of the rural commercial / civic district
- c) Parks
  - Kaupō Beach Park (Baby Makapu'u)
    - Develop it so people can use it as part of a park, BBQ pits, another place to go
    - Hawaiian Civic Club also has an interest
    - Leased by City
  - Kupuna Terrace – Being allowed time to acquire proper permits
  - Waimanalo Beach Park - New camping permitting process in place; Request for support to close pavilion at night
- d) Infrastructure
  - Waimanalo Irrigation System - Plans, Design and Construction for Improvements scheduled for 2012-2013
  - Waimanalo Ditch on Manawaiola Street – Cleaned in 2010 and currently up for bids to clean again
  - Concern for Waimanalo as potential location of landfill
  - Neighborhood Works Project – Parking lot
  - Hihimanu Street - Illegal Dumping is a problem
- e) Transportation
  - Bypass – S curve by Bellows cutting into Bellows Training area
  - Nakini Road – Needs speed bumps
  - Oluolu street – needs speed bumps and four-way stop at Oluolu and Hihimanu Streets; owned by DHHL and maintained by City
  - Kumuhau Street - inability to turn left onto Kalaniana'ole
  - Emergency Evacuation Plan - In 2012 Department of Environmental Management will prepare a plan that includes travel routes in Waimanalo
- f) Resource Management
  - Geothermal
    - In the brown zone according to a geothermal scan
    - This would give the ability to dry crops or warm water, but couldn't drive kilowatts
- g) Miscellaneous
  - Marine Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) - concerns on height of these temporary structures for 'Afghan Village'

## Waimanalo Regional Planner

Department of Hawaiian Home Lands  
Beneficiary Consultation  
1<sup>st</sup> Planning Meeting 8/30/11

August 30, 2011

Aloha Oe,

My name is Herbert Kihoi, Jr. and I am a beneficiary of the lands of Waimanalo, in 1968 I was sent to Veit-nam and my family moved into my in laws house on Nalu St. My two children attended Blanche Pope Elementary School. After returning from Vietnam I started renting a nine acre home in Kahaluu raising cattle and did some farming mainly a small taro patch. I also worked as a mason for a construction company

In 1965 I had applied for a Waimanalo homestead and a pastoral lease. After waiting for thirty three (33) years I was awarded a homestead in 1998. After an absence of thirty three years I returned to stay and die here. I am still waiting for a pastoral lease.

My family came from Parker Ranch, my father Herbert Kihoi, Sr. was a cowboy, we had a small sixty five acre ranch with sixteen horses and some live stock. His grandfather Moses Koki was a cowboy and was married to Kaniu Purdy sister to Ikua Purdy. The Purdy and Waipa Ohana came from Mary Parker daughter of Ebenezer Parker the owner of Parker Ranch.

Ranching is our background.

### **Issues HHL Leasing to non-Hawaiians**

1. Facing my house is the Texiara Ranch approximately 173 acres he has no Hawaiian blood. He had sub-lease or sold his interest in his HHL lease to another non native Hawaiian.
2. In the back of my house you have a Japanese farmer with no Hawaiian blood.
3. Down the road a Filipino Ranch for horses no house on property.
4. Down by the quarry you have a White American ranch .

There are no Hawaiian ranches on HHL of Waimanalo. There are 3,000 horses in Waimanalo and only a handful of Hawaiians own horses mainly because no HHL are available for the Beneficiaries.

Pau'u Riders rent stables from the Cooke Ranch which sits next to the old quarry, this ranch could be on homestead land too.

**There are no HHL ranches for native Hawaiians. I have been on the pastoral waiting list since 1965. I waited 33 years for a homestead and over 45 years of waiting for a HHL pastoral/ranch lease. I am requesting the land in the back of my house for ranching and to start a 4H club for our Hawaiian youth. This will be an attempt to keep our heritage alive as Hawaiian cowboys and cowgirls like Ikua and Harriet Purdy both champions.**

This land is idle and overgrown. It once was part of a ranch some rusty barb wire fence remain but repair is badly needed. There is an auwai ending in the back of my house but no water. My grandchildren all know how to ride horses but there are many skills to learn about ranching and raising good livestock. A HHL 4H

Club will be a big benefit for our youth in organizing their chores, giving them responsibilities, skills, record keeping, recognizing animals traits and behavior, being a leader, animals needs, grooming and many other chores in planning a successful ranch. We will advice and help from other 4H Clubs and their members.

### **Issues no Hawaiian Stores**

Entering Waimanalo you will past several stores and businesses owned by Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese, Americans, Koreans and Mexicans. The Hawaiians sell their goods from lunch wagons or on the side of the road and from their front yard.

All retail stores are across the homestead, why??? I suggest that HHL build a shopping center on the old Quarry Office fronting Kalaniana'ole Hwy.

Hawaiians are the biggest population in Waimanalo and its biggest consumer. We badly need our own Shopping Center, this will provide rental income and enterprise experience for Hawaiians. Employment opportunities for Hawaiians and Kupuna.

### **Issues no HHL Beachfront Properties**

It is well known that most beachfront properties are homes that supplement their incomes by Bed and Breakfast operations. Some of them are like mini hotels. We can build B&B like the Kupuna Village and employ several beneficiaries. Does HHL have beachfront land available for Beneficiaries?

We need to invest in acquiring beach front property which essentially pays for itself as a B&B operation. Suggest "baby" Makapuu across from Sea Life Park be turned into a Hawaiian living park similar to Polynesian Culture Center. There are a lot of Hawaiian homeless some not by choice and can be helped to run this propose center. With a good plan this will be successful.

HHL in Bellows should follow in the foot steps of the Federal Government and make a recreation type business with cottages, stores, horse back riding, surf school, etc, etc

### **Issues of Seals**

During the early sixties there were no seals in Waimanalo or rarely seen on Oahu. One (1) seal consumes over 2,000 fish annually this has cause fishing in Waimanalo Bay to become over fish. When riding a boat around Rabbit Island I saw five (5) fat seals basting in the sun. These five seals consume over 10,000 pounds of fish annually and their numbers are growing. Eventually sharks will come closer to shore to harvest the seals.

If you talk to any kupuna ask them if they ever saw a seal in Waimanalo before Sea Life Park was here? The answer would be "no" the seals are eating the fish that feeds the Hawaiian people. Relocate these seals back to French Frigate Shores or Sea Life Park.

Also, since Sea Life Park was establish the moss rocks behind Sea Life Park have disappeared. Estimated at least several thousands tons.

Seal fish consumption is more then what the Beneficiaries fish consumption is or what is caught.

### **Issues on Multi Families in One House**

There are many homes with several generations living under one roof we need to find solutions for this over crowding which could lead to severe health problems and family stress. Some of the homes have only one

bathroom, some have turned the garage into living areas. This trend will continue to grow until a solution is found.

### **Issues on Communications with the HHL and Waimanalo Homestead Association**

No communication on WHA meetings, no news letter concerning Waimanalo Homestead, Kamehameha Preschool, Liliuokalani Children Center and other HHL issues. We need a news letter and a office to inform all Hawaiians of issues facing the community and a good Beneficiary to accept responsibilities and inform the HHL residents of on going issues.

### **Issues on Religion**

There is no Hawaiian Church on Homestead Land. A church is a necessity in every community it gives you support in your daily life. We need land and funding to build this church. The Jewish people uses our land for their church gatherings.

### **Issues on Abandon Houses and Houses that Need Repairs**

HHL should check on ownership and suggest to owner if want to keep or sell it to the next person on the list. The next person would have to agree on price and the cost of fixing up the house. We have too many houses empty and too many homeless who are working but can not afford to live in a home. Many Hawaiians are paying more for rent then a low interest mortgage. Have to find a solution for these old abandon but repairable homes.

One suggestions would be to get the homeless Beneficiaries off the beaches get them to repair the houses and pay a small fee to the WHA to monitor the residents. Some of the repairable houses can help more then one person or family depending of the rooms that are available.

### **Issues on Old or Abandon Cars**

We have a lot of abandon cars on our streets the problem is no one wants to call the police and get involve. We need a place to store and repair cars the old quarry would be an excellent place this would be a great place to learn mechanics and maybe to create a auto shop. There are a lot of mechanics living on HHL working out of their homes and on the streets.

### **Issues on Self Determination**

We need to start organizing now. My suggestion are there will be no debates or protesting only meetings of concern and remedy solutions. No negativities only positively. This suggestion is presented because we have to start moving toward self determination without interruption and without no stop signs. We need to start the ball rolling and face each issue until we have Self Determination.

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