

**KAILUA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 31**

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Aloha Chair Martin and Members:

At its meeting of April 5, 2012, the Kailua Neighborhood Board adopted the following motion:

*The Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31 supports a version of City Council Bill 11 (2012) that includes prohibitions of commercial vendors and commercial buses in Kailua and Kalama Beach Parks.*

This is an extremely important issue for the Kailua community. There are few issues on this island that bring out over 200 residents to a community meeting as occurred at the recent City Council Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee meeting in Kailua. It was clear from those testifying that Kailua wishes to continue to be a residential community consistent with the General Plan of Oahu, and the Koolaupoko Sustainable Communities Plan.

While the residents of Kailua welcome all who visit our community, it is not felt to be appropriate that the beach parks that must serve over 40,000 local residents be used for commercial purposes as are beach parks in areas designated by the General Plan for resort use.

Our Neighborhood Board has been deeply involved in this issue for over three years. We have asked the City to enforce the parks rules, we have asked that commercial buses be prohibited East of Kalapawai Market, we have heard numerous testimonies from residents as well as illegal vendors, we established a special investigative committee that studied the issue in detail and met with the Director of Parks and Recreation. Our very open and studied opinion is embodied in the above motion, and we ask that you respect this community request and move to adopt Bill 11 (2012) CD1 at your earliest opportunity.

Thank you for considering our community's desires.

Sincerely,



Charles A. Prentiss, Ph.D.  
Chair