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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020 AIEA PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; quorum was established with nine (9) Board members present. Note – This 15-member Board requires eight (8) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Members Present: Bill Clark, Jane Sugimura, Tracy Arakaki, Stephen Wood, Pat Beekman, Francie Whitfield, Richard Mizusawa (arrived at 7:18 p.m.), Jenna Moriwaki, Russell Tsuji, and Willie Fatafehi.

Members Absent: David Arakawa, Ron Fitch, May Imamura-Uruu and Mike Dwyer.

Guests: Department of Information Technology (DIT) Deputy Director, Keith Ho (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative), Department of Business and Economic Development (DBEDT) Deputy Director Chung Chang (Governor David Ige's Representative), Representative Aaron Ling Johanson, Representative Romy Cachola, Representative Sam Kong, Jay Baliscan (Senator Breene Harimoto's Office), Sam Hironaka (Senator Donna Mercado Kim's Office), Dinna Schwiering (Councilmember Joey Manahan's Office), Dion Mesta, April Coloretti (Councilmember Brandon Elefante's Office), Lieutenant Roger Nitta, Sergeant Everett Sakai (Honolulu Police Department-HPD), Firefighter Chad Koide (Honolulu Fire Department-HFD), Pat Lee (Hawaii Authority for Rapid Transit), Danny Rosario (Road and Highway Builders), Claire Tamamoto (Aiea Community Association - ACA), Samantha Spain (Aloha Stadium Authority), Bettina Mehnert (Architects Hawaii), Victor Flint (NAVFAC), Josh Smead and Carly Riley (New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District), Cody Lopes, Johnny Le, Lauren Joyla (Residents and Guests), Naomi Hanohano (Neighborhood Commission Office).

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Firefighter Koide reported:

- January 2020 Statistics: There was 1 wild land/brush fire and 1 activated alarm (no fire). There were 83 medical emergencies, 2 motor vehicle collisions with pedestrian and 9 motor vehicle collisions.
- HFD Safety Tips: Home Fire Sprinklers
 - General Information – Fire sprinklers respond quickly and effectively to fire. The National Fire Protection Association reported that sprinklers reduced fire deaths by 83% and property loss in homes by 69%.
 - Myths and Facts – Myth: all fire sprinklers will activate at once. Fact: systems are designed so the sprinkler head closest to the fire is activated. Myth: fire sprinklers cause a lot of water damage. Fact: typically, sprinklers utilize 13 to 18 gallons of water per minute. Firefighting hoses flow at least 10 times that of sprinklers.
 - Constant Security – Fire sprinklers provide security 24 hours a day in case of fires.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Sergeant Sakai reported:

- February 2020 Statistics: There were 7 motor vehicle thefts, 6 burglaries, 51 thefts, and 23 unauthorized entry into motor vehicles (UEMV). There were 5372 calls for service.
- HPD Safety Tip: Be careful of pedestrians during early morning hours and times of darkness.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Chair Clark read the report.

- February 2020 Main breaks: There were three (3):
 - Saturday February 8, 2020 at 98-1428 Kaonohi Street
 - Monday, February 24, 2020 at 98 Kaonohi Street
 - Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 98-1855 Hapaki Street
- General Water Announcement: Water Smart Web Portal
BWS has partnered with Water Smart Software to offer a modern digital portal where customers' can access detailed information about their household water use. To create an account, log on to Honolulu.watersmart.com from a desktop or mobile device and enter your BWS billing account number and

email address. Once you are logged in, you can: Access your water consumption data as it becomes available for each billing period, see how your water use compares to similar household sizes in your neighborhood, have access to customized recommendations on how you can save water and money and sign up for high usage and/or leak alerts.

Honolulu Rail Transit Project (HRTTP): Pat Lee of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) and Danny Rosario (Road and Highway Builders (RHB) reported the following:

HART March 2020 Report: The Honolulu rail system will operate the trains from 4:00 a.m. to Midnight each day. After the days run, trains go back to the Rail Operations Center (ROC) in Waipahu next to Leeward Community College (LCC) and Waipahu High School (WHS) for cleaning and servicing. The 43-acre Rail Operations Center and Maintenance and Storage facility is 100% completed and includes four (4) major structures: The Operations and Servicing building which contains the operations control center to operate the trains via a computer system, a vehicle maintenance section and inspection and repair facilities. The Maintenance of Way building contains specialized equipment that is used to inspect and repair the guide way, stations and tracks. The Train Wash facility cleans the exterior of the train vehicles. The Wheel Truing building houses specialized equipment to maintain the steel wheels of the trains. Hitachi Rail Honolulu (HRH), the contractor that will operate the Core System which includes the ROC and MSF as well as the train vehicles, plans to hire about 200 people for their operations. HART has partnered with LCC which offers an Integrated Industrial Technology program to prepare students for future work in rail operations as part of the LCC workforce development program. Aiea area projects include the Kamehameha Highway group is 91% completed, the Waiawa station is 96% completed, the Kalawao station near Pearl Ridge Shopping Center is 93% completed and Halawa station near the Aloha Stadium is 87% completed.

Poster Contest: The annual HART Poster Contest is underway, and it is open to all Oahu high school students in 9th to 12th grades attending public, charter, private or home school. Posters are due on Friday, March 13, 2020.

Rate Commission Meeting: The next public meeting of the Rate Commission will be on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the Mission Memorial Auditorium from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Road & Highway Builders (RHB) - Danny Rosario reported RHB is working on repaving a third lane on Kamehameha Highway at Kaonohi Street but is waiting because HECO needs to remove a utility pole and RHB needs to do a few more things for that lane and the work should be done by mid to the end of April 2020.

7:18 p.m. Board member Mizusawa arrived. There are now 10 Board members in attendance.

Contact Information: For more information, please visit the HART website at www.honolulutransit.org, you can call the project hotline at 566-2299 or email a question to info@honolulutransit.org.

Questions and comments followed:

1. Hours: A board member asked the hours of operation for the rail. Lee noted that rail will operate from 4:00 a.m. to midnight every day.
2. Pillar Concerns: A board member noted his concern about the accidents involving vehicles hitting rail pillars on Farrington Highway and asked if there were any plans to add any safety measures onto the pillars. Lee noted that he does not know of any plans to do so.
3. Volunteers: Board member Beekman asked if the HART Board members are volunteers. Lee noted that the Board members are volunteers and the only members who gets paid are Department heads for the Department of Transportation Services (DTS), Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) and Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) as part of their job.
4. Main Location: Beekman asked if the LCC station will be HART's main station. Lee noted that LCC location will be the maintenance and storage yard.
5. Rates: Board member Beekman asked what kinds of rates to ride the rail is being discussed. Lee noted that the city has a rate commission that will determine the rates.

Filling of Vacancy in Sub-district two (2): Chair Clark asked if anyone was interested in filling this vacancy. There was no volunteer from the audience.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Congressional Representative Ed Case - Nestor Garcia was not present. No report.

Governor David Ige's Representative - DBEDT Deputy Director Chung Chang reported:

- Corona Virus Update: Deputy Chang provided flyers and gave an update regarding the coronavirus in Hawaii. Deputy Chang noted that anyone can get the most recent information by visiting the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) website.
- 2020 Census: Deputy Chang noted that DBEDT is helping with the 2020 Census and he has brought flyers and tote bags for the community.

Questions and comments followed: Preschool Concerns: Resident Claire Tamamoto noted that she runs a preschool which already teaches hand washing and other measures but asked if someone visits a "level 2" country such as Japan, will they need to go into quarantine. Deputy Chang noted that anyone who travels to a level two (2) or three (3) country will have to self-quarantine for 14 days. Deputy Chang noted that anyone can call 211 for more information.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative - DIT Deputy Director Keith Ho reported:

- Census Day: Deputy Ho noted that Wednesday, April 1, 2020 has been declared "Census Day" and everyone will receive an information in the mail soon to participate in the 2020 census.
- Concerning the installation of LED lights in Ala Moana Park, <http://www.honolulu.gov/cms-csd-menu/site-csd-sitearticles/1305-site-csd-news-2020-cat/37527-02-03-20-led-light-conversion-project-beginning-at-ala-moana-regional.html> The article states that "This project will upgrade approximately 570 of the existing light" and "the Project will cost 1.2 Million dollars". This comes out to approximately \$2,105 per light. How is this a savings to the City? Department of Design and Construction (DDC) response: The press release also states that the new LED lights will use 60% less energy than the previous lights, which will result in an annual electricity cost savings of \$80,000 and that the project will pay for itself in 15 years. The City currently pay the Hawaiian Electric Company approximately \$135,000 annually to power the lights at Ala Moana Park. We expect this cost to be reduced to approximately \$55,000. In addition, the new lights will be controlled by a networked lighting control system, which will allow the City to reduce the light output in certain areas where they are not needed after light park closes, to further reduce energy consumption and lower operating costs. As of Wednesday, February 12, 2020, the work in the Magic Island Parking Lot is substantially complete. In addition to being more energy efficient, the new LED lights allow park users to see better at night.
- Honolulu Rail Service: Dwyer asked if DTS will be able to take over control of the rail system after HART's work is completed. DTS is ramping up staff and budget in preparation of rail operations once HART and DTS mutually certify that the system is ready and safe for passenger operations.
- Fallen Tree: There is a fallen tree across the drain from 2939 Maamalo Drive. DFM: If this is Kolomona Ditch in Manoa, a tree behind of 2939 Kaamalo Drive was removed on Saturday, March 7, 2020.

Senator Donna Mercado Kim – Sam Hironaka reported:

- Crossover: The Legislature is at its halfway point, or crossover, in the legislative session. All bills that have passed the Senate and House respectively will now cross over to their non-originating body.
- Senate Bill (SB) 75: This Bill appropriates \$10.5 million to prevent and mitigated the spread of the Coronavirus within the state has passed the Senate. For more information regarding the coronavirus, please visit the State DOH website at health.hawaii.gov.
- Senate Committee: A Senate committee was formed and will be meeting to address concerns surrounding the effects of the Coronavirus
- SB 2335 - Kupuna: This bill appropriates fund for the healthy aging partnership program to further the program's role in improving the health and well-being of Hawaii's Kupuna.
- SB 2573- Board of Regents Meetings: This bill requires all public meetings of the University of Hawaii Board of Regents meetings to be recorded in live digital audio format by May 1, 2021 and in digital video beginning September 1, 2021. It requires all recordings to be archived and made available to the public.
- Pearl City/Aiea Town Hall: Please join Governor David Ige, Senator Kim and other area legislators at the next Town Hall meeting at Pearl Ridge Elementary School Cafeteria on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Friends of the Library Book Fair: The fair will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Hawaii State Capitol in Room 225.
- Art at the Capitol: On Friday, April 3, 2020 there will be the annual Art at the Capitol event taking place from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. when House and Senate members open their doors to the public to view the art in the Capitol.

Senator Breene Harimoto - Senator Harimoto's representative distributed his report.

Representative Aaron Ling Johanson - Representative Johanson reported:

- Coronavirus Need to Know: Coronavirus is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person, the symptoms include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Symptoms may appear two (2) to 14 days after exposure. Preventative measures include avoiding close contact with the sick, washing your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and stay home when you are sick except to go to the doctor's office.
- Senate Special Committee on Covid-19: This was formed like a committee formed after the September 11, 2001 attack on America. This committee will look at the long-term effects that this virus will have on the health, economy, and other sectors of Hawaii.
- House Bill (HB) 2217: This bill aims to increase resident involvement in the Stadium Authority decision making process by adding a resident of Aiea or Halawa to the Stadium Authority Board. This bill has passed through the House and has been heard in the Senate's Energy, Economic Development and Tourism (EET) committee.

Questions and comments followed: How Chosen: Board member Wood asked how this person would be chosen. Representative Johanson noted that someone needs to apply, and it is an appointed position by the Governor and the person would need to be confirmed by the Senate.

Representative Romy Cachola - Representative Cachola reported:

- Corona Virus Impact: There is much concern about the Corona Virus and the potential to affect tourism in Hawaii. Hawaii needs to address this issue with the creation of a special fund that will assist business that rely heavily on tourist revenue. The latest report confirms a \$1.117 Billion shortage increase.
- HB1462 HD1: This bill has been carried over from last session which relates to Unfunded Liabilities and is currently pending in the Senate. The money could help fund budget shortfalls.
- HB 1977 Physician Shortage: This bill addresses the State's physician shortage buy establishing a Medical Student Sponsorship with the Department of Health (DOH) for residents of Hawaii.
- Halawa Stream and Makalapa Park Damage:
 - Halawa Stream Dredging: The City's Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is waiting for a response from the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) as to when they will approve a staging area and an estimated completion date for each stage of the project. Once approval is received the DDC anticipates that it may take at least two (2) years to prepare construction plans and specifications to obtain permits and clearances from other agencies.
 - Makalapa Park Drainage: There is no updates from the City on this matter after my office reported that water coming from Makalapa Park caused the collapse of the drainage system and the area homeowners should not have to pay for the repairs.

Representative Sam Kong - Representative Kong reported:

- Storm Water Utility Briefing: Representative Kong noted the City and County of Honolulu held a briefing in Aiea tonight and he found it highly informative. Representative Kong recommended everyone attend the meeting the next time it is held in the area.
- Town Hall with Governor David Ige: Please join Governor David Ige and other area legislators at the next Town Hall meeting at Pearl Ridge Elementary School Cafeteria on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

District 6 Councilmember Carol Fukunaga – Chair Clark noted that Councilmember Fukunaga and her staff was not able to attend tonight's meeting due to attending another meeting regarding the Coronavirus, but her newsletter was distributed. Chair Clark highlighted:

- Bill 66: This bill relates to the DPP management of monster homes.
- Monster Home in Halawa: Councilmember Fukunaga is still working on a monster home in Halawa that looks like a small apartment building.
- Federal Detention Center (FDC): There is a bill that is considering acquiring the FDC.

District 7 Councilmember Joey Manahan - Dinna Schwiering reported:

- Bill 35: On March 05, 2020, Councilmember Joey Manahan and Chair Ikaika Anderson co-introduced Bill 35 (2020), a bill for an ordinance relating to funds. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the provisions pertaining to the Reserve for Fiscal Stability Fund. The reserve for fiscal stability fund is designated for economic and revenue downturns and emergency situations, and fund monies may be

appropriated by ordinance only when one or more of the conditions of Economic Triggers, Revenue Triggers, and Emergencies are met. Specifically, this ordinance will include the Fiscal Stability Fund to be used during an occurrence or imminent threat thereof, which results or may likely result in substantial injury or harm to the population in the City and County of Honolulu. In response to COVID 19, the passage of this ordinance will allow for the Fiscal Stability Fund to include epidemiology, which deals with the incidence, distribution, and possible control of diseases and other factors relating to health. Bill 35 is going to be heard on first reading during the March Council meeting.

- **Budget:** Councilmember Manahan is the Budget Committee Chair and is looking for suggestions for funding city projects, if you have a suggestion please contact their office. The Fiscal Year 2021 budget submitted by Mayor Kirk Caldwell is \$2.98 Billion and the Capital Improvement Budget is \$1.27 Billion.

Questions and comments followed: **Makalapa Park Funds:** Board member Wood asked for an update of the funds that were promised by Councilmember Manahan at a previous town hall meeting to repair the fence and do other improvements to the Park. Schwiering noted that project is part of the amendments to the budget will be submitted soon and she will report back at the next board meeting.

District 8 Councilmember Brandon Elefante - April Coloretti reported:

- **Real Property Tax Legislation:** Councilmember Elefante introduced three (3) bills that were recommended by current and/or past Real Property Tax Commissions. Bill 11 would repeal the real property tax (RPT) exemption for credit unions, this bill was postponed in the budget committee. Bill 12 would increase the RPT for historic homes, this bill will be heard at the Wednesday, March 18, 2020 Full Council Meeting. Bill 16 would increase the minimum RPT for for-profit childcare facilities, this bill will also be on the Full Council Agenda.
- **New Kiosk:** The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has just installed a kiosk in the Waipio Foodland where residents can renew their vehicle registrations with their credit or debit cards. The kiosks are also available at select Safeway Stores.
- **Interest-free Home Down Payment Loans:** The Department of Community Services (DCS) wants you to know that qualified low- or moderate-income families may be eligible for the interest free down payment loans to assist in their home purchases. For more information, please call the DCS loan branch at 768-7076. The loan brochure is available at: <http://www.honolulu.gov/rep/site/dcs/April2019DownPayment.pdf>

Questions and comments followed: **Increase:** Board member Beekman noted her concern with the large increase of the tax rate from \$300.00 yearly to \$1,000.00 yearly. Coloretti explained that the \$300 is the minimum tax that a property owner could pay but this bill pertains to certain owners such as credit unions, historic homes owners whose homes maybe worth several millions of dollars and a few others. Coloretti noted that there are a lot of exemptions and she will email Board member Beekman further information.

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT OTHER MEETINGS: Board member Beekman noted that she attended the second committee meeting of HB 2459 regarding the conscientious objections to vaccines. This bill was to be heard by several house committees and was originally planned to take effect in 2050 but the bill died in committee. Board member Beekman also noted that she attended a meeting at the Church of the Crossroads regarding a toxic chemical in Oahu's drinking water.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY JANUARY 13, 2020: **Mizusawa moved and Wood seconded the motion to approve the Monday, January 13, 2020 minutes as presented. The motion passed by a vote of 9-1-0. (Aye: Clark, Sugimura, Arakaki, Wood, Whitfield, Mizusawa, Moriwaki, Fatafehi and Tsuji; Nay: Beekman, Abstain: None.)**

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2020: **Sugimura moved, and Whitfield seconded the motion to approve the Monday, February 10, 2020 as presented. The motion failed to pass by a vote of 5-4-1. (Aye: Clark, Sugimura, Tsuji, Arakaki, Mizusawa; Nay: Wood, Moriwaki, Beekman, and Whitfield; Abstain: Fatafehi.)**

Discussion: Board member Beekman noted that she had many corrections on several pages but did not have every correction noted because there were so many. Chair Clark suggested that Beekman makes her corrections prior to the meeting so corrections can be made quickly and also noted that minutes are not a stenographic copy of

everything that was said and requested that her corrections be simplified. Board member Beekman noted that she will send the Neighborhood Assistant (NA) a copy of her corrections. Board member Wood asked if a Board member has many corrections to the minutes, can they bring a copy for the other board members to read so it does not take a long time to approve the minutes. Board member Beekman asked if all Board members could receive the draft minutes prior to posting the final on the website so they all could make their own corrections. Board member Wood noted his concern that it could violate Sunshine Laws. Neighborhood Commissioner Claire Tamamoto suggested that this issue be brought up to the Commission for clarity but also noted that it is the Chair's prerogative to have the minutes presented as he prefers. Board member Sugimura noted that there is a note taker for the minutes and noted that Robert's Rules does not allow for discussions and opinions like the Neighborhood Commission does but likes the suggestion to send this concern to the Commission. Chair Clark asked that this issue be brought to the Commission.

BOARD BUSINESS

Update of Resolution 19-136- Approving an Application for a Plan Review Use (PRU) Permit for the Relocation of Oahu Correctional Center to Halawa: Bettina Mehnert gave an update of the project: Mehnert wants to thank the City Council for the approval of the PRU on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 and believes this is a win-win for everyone involved. Mehnert noted an adjustment to the Resolution that requires the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) as well as Public Safety Department (PSD) to include in their written annual report to the Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20 and the area Councilmember an update of the feasibility of providing treatment to the homeless and mentally ill. Mehnert noted that concern has been brought up many times by the public and it is "spectacular" that this language is now included in the Resolution.

Questions and comments followed:

1. Significance: Board member Beekman asked what the significance of the PRU is and how does it help this project go further. Beekman also asked if the Board will be asked for comments as the project goes forward. Mehnert noted the PRU is a zoning document which typically states what type of structure that can be built on a lot and getting zoning for a jail is very unique. Mehnert also noted that it is not a done deal and there are many other things that need to happen before the jail actually gets built and the Board will definitely be in the conversation as the project goes forward.
2. Why Location: Board member Beekman noted a report that she read saying the size of the new facility will only allow for 100 additional beds for the jail. Mehnert noted that parts of the current facility are over 100 years old and there are many challenges with keeping the old facility open. A new facility is needed to provide the many services that will be needed for the inmates to return to the community and Mehnert noted that she is deeply passionate about this project. Chair Clark noted the services will help the inmates to become a contributing member of the community after their release.

Update of the Aloha Stadium Redevelopment Project: Josh Smead of Crawford Architects gave an update of the project and noted: Crawford Architects is expecting to be releasing the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process in March 2020 which they will be asking for resumes from development and design teams to submit their qualifications and the company will reduce the resumes down to a list of the top three (3) or four (4) respondents and contact the those teams for a Request for Proposal (RFP) where they will be submitting specific designs.

Questions and comments followed:

1. RFQ: Resident Tamamoto asked if the RFQ be for the whole project or just a portion of the project. Smead noted that they are initially looking for proposals for "Phase 1" of the project which includes the Stadium and an ancillary development.
2. Timeline: Board member Wood noted that he asked for timelines at the previous meeting. Smead noted they will be updating the website with the pertinent information, but the present timeline is the RFQ in March 2020, the RFP in mid-2020 and picking the design team by the end of 2020. The expected construction start for Phase 1 will be in the first or second quarter of 2021 which sticks with the original timeline to coincide with the opening of the University of Manoa (UH) football team's 2023 season. The rest will depend on market conditions, which is why the project is being phased. Smead noted that they are estimating the phases to have at least five (5) years in between.
3. Best Value: Board member Beekman asked if the company will be looking for low bids or will be considering the best value from bidders. Smead noted they will be looking for the best value for a quality product because it is a major investment for the State.

4. Website's Timelines: Resident Tamamoto asked if the website could show the timeline for the phases. Board member Sugimura asked if the website timelines will give a timeline of all the different phases for the project. Smead noted that the website will show the timeline for all phases of the project.
5. Ancillary Development: Board member Sugimura asked if there is a timeline for the ancillary development noting that businesses would be relying on the stadium to draw the customers. Smead noted that in 2023 when the new stadium is planned to be built then the ancillary development should be ready for vendors at the same time or a little bit after.
6. Who's Paying: Board member Tsuji asked if there will be conditions to developers to provide their own demolition because he wants to know what the taxpayers are going to get for their money. Smead noted the State's portion will be \$350 million which could be used for several purposes such as design or demolition. The Stadium project is a P3 partnership and the State's portion is \$350 million the rest will come from private sources and the goal is to make the stadium self-supporting so the taxpayers would not be burdened. Income could come from different sources, not only ticket sales but also income from the ancillary development. Talks are continuing as far as what the \$350 million will be used for specifically. Smead also noted that he is on the architectural side and has not been in the financial talks and could possibly bring someone to a future Board meeting to answer the question better. Smead also noted that there will be many conditions to interested bidders that will protect the State's interest.

REPORTS:

- Treasurer's Report: Chair Clark reported a remaining balance of \$201.49
- Aiea Community Association (ACA): The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 16, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Aiea Public Library.
- Live, Work, Play Aiea: No report.

COMMITTEES:

- Executive Committee: No report.
- Transportation: No report.
- Community Relations and Publicity: No report.
- Parks and Recreation: No report.
- Planning and Zoning: No report.
- Restoration and Advisory Board: No report.
- Red Hill Fuel Tanks: Board member Beekman submitted a written report as follows:
Rebuttal to BWS's January 2020 report:
 1. BWS: Data shows rusting occurring on the side of the tanks that cannot be really inspected or fixed. Rebuttal: Navy absolutely disagrees with that. It CAN be inspected & it CAN be fixed. Industry does this all the time. You just patch over the top of it. You just add more steel on the other side. You do not fix it from the outside wall. You just continue to reinforce the steel on the inside wall that you *can* access.
 2. BWS: We have seen lots of data that show information that these tanks have leaked in the past. There are reports that show, or talk about, small levels of leaks that are beyond the ability to measure. Rebuttal: That is factually inaccurate. Navy rep says has never seen any reports of leaks that are beyond the ability of the Navy to measure. Could not fathom how would there be reports of things the Navy was unable to measure.
 3. BWS: The contractor error occurred on work to repair through-wall holes and test the condition of the tank's liner. The through-wall holes are caused by corrosion that is occurring on the backside of the tank that the Navy cannot see or fix. Rebuttal: Absolutely false. Navy says workers gas tests holes that are drilled through the steel & that are required to be filled back in. Those are not through-holes that have developed due to corrosion. There has been corrosion and the Navy is going to address it, but in no way does that corrosion create through holes. The 2014 27,000-gallon leak was improper procedure of the contractor of the maintenance company that drilled the holes through. Workers need to drill the holes (gas tests holes) through the tank whenever they weld to be sure there are not explosive gases behind the tank that could be set off by the heat of the welding.
 4. BWS: As the fuel stored at Red Hill is mostly jet fuel, it has limited use for civilian fuel needs during a disaster. For example, our generators do not run on jet fuel, they run on diesel. Rebuttal: Navy does not want to tell the Board of Water Supply what they could or could not burn in their generators, however the Navy *does* store diesel fuel at Red Hill, which is what BWS says they use. Navy was thinking mostly of Hawaiian Electric rather than BWS. In the case of a natural

disaster or emergency, The Navy has been told the Hawaiian Electric generators can run on the Red Hill fuel, as many *other* types' generators run on that fuel. 1) There is diesel fuel stored up at Red Hill. 2) In the case of a natural disaster or emergency, Hawaiian Electric has said that they are able to burn the fuel inside of Red Hill to power their generators.

March 9, 2020 Report:

- o Concrete & BWS: After I said a year or so ago in testimony that the Red Hill tanks are protected by several feet of concrete, the BWS said concrete is porous, cracks and leaks in several of their presentations. That is why I brought up the Hoover Dam and its concrete at the January 2020 meeting. Although the Hoover Dam concrete was painstakingly designed and mixed not to not crack or leak, and they never have, it does not necessarily follow that the Red Hill tank concrete has not cracked or leaked. However, it is logical that the construction companies involved in both the Hoover Dam and Red Hill projects knew how to test and pour quality concrete to suit the purpose for which the tanks were built. The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) says on their Red Hill website page that the Red Hill tanks were painstakingly tested for leaks when they were built.
- o Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam (JBPHH): I do not expect JBPHH to close because I do not expect the Navy to move ALL their fuel off island if the Navy decides from public pressure that the Red Hill fuel tank fuel needs to be moved elsewhere, it does not necessarily mean the move will be to another location on Oahu. It could be elsewhere, such as the mainland. That would mean downsizing and relocation of jobs to where the fuel, ships and planes have been moved, but I have never suggested that JBPHH would be closed because of the fuel move.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Chair Clark announced that the Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20 will be having their next regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2020 at the Aiea Public Library at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Hearing no objections, Chair Clark adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

Submitted By: Naomi Hanohano, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed By: Christopher Naylor, Public Relations Assistant

Reviewed and Finalized By: Bill Clark – Chairperson, Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20