



November 2015 HCDA Newsletter

Aloha and Happy Thanksgiving,

At its November 4, 2015 board meeting, the Hawaii Community Development Authority approved the extension of the development permit for 803 Waimanu, after the developer noted that appeals had delayed the project. The original permit was approved on January 8, 2014 and was set to expire on January 8, 2016. Over 80 residents of Imperial Plaza testified against extending that date, saying they have concerns about area infrastructure and road maintenance. The board ultimately voted to extend the development permit until August 6, 2016 and asked HCDA staff to submit the community's concerns to the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Planning and Permitting, which regulates area infrastructure. 803 Waimanu will offer 153 rental units, with 101 of those units set aside for those making low to moderate incomes, about 80 to 140 percent of the area median income (AMI).

Also at the November 4 meeting, the board voted to issue a Request for Proposals for a Civic/ Mixed-Use commercial development on HCDA's Lot C in Kakaako Makai. The development would include High Technology Development Corporation's "Entrepreneur's Sandbox," which is intended as a collaborative space to encourage innovation and growth of new businesses in Hawaii.

The board deferred making a decision on the redevelopment of Kewalo Basin Harbor on November 4, as public testimony lasted until about 6 p.m. The Howard Hughes Corporation offered proposals for three parcels at Kewalo Basin, including the Charterboat building, Diamond Head parking lot, and the former NOAA lot. Kewalo Waterfront Partners offered a competing proposal for the Diamond Head parking lot. Presentations of their best and final offers can be viewed on our website here: <http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hcda/october-29-2015-minutes/>. Decision making will be held at a later date.

In our Kalaeloa Community Development District, the HCDA approved entering into a Memorandum of Understanding between the HCDA, the State Department of Transportation, and the City and County of Honolulu to accept the transfer of a portion of Franklin Delano Roosevelt Avenue, between the West Perimeter Road and Enterprise Avenue. This agreement will allow the HCDA to coordinate road improvements with private developers to ensure our vision for the district is achieved. Eventually the road will be dedicated to the City and County for continued maintenance.

HCDA Executive Director, Anthony Ching, announced his retirement at the end of the year. The HCDA will hire an executive search consultant and appoint a task force to find his replacement,

which is expected to take at least several months. Mr. Ching has been the agency's executive director since 2008 and retires with over 30 years of public service with the State of Hawaii.

Please feel free to contact me, should you require any additional information on any of these items. For your convenience, copies of this and previous monthly newsletters and documents are posted on our website, <http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hcda/newsletters/>. If you'd like to receive this newsletter with accompanying photos of the various projects and activities, please subscribe here: <http://eepurl.com/R7woT>.

See Attached: Updated Project Activity Sheet

Mahalo,

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