



December 2015 HCDA Newsletter

Aloha and Happy Holidays,

At its December 2, 2105 meeting, the Hawaii Community Development Authority took action on several proposals to redevelop Kewalo Basin Harbor. The Howard Hughes Corporation offered proposals for Lot 1 (Diamond Head parking lot), Lot 2 (Charterboat building), and Lot 3 (former NOAA lot). Kewalo Waterfront Partners offered a competing proposal for Lot 1. Ultimately, the HCDA voted to reject both proposals for Lot 1, stating that neither proposal fit their vision for the area and adequately addressed public concerns. The board selected the proposals from Howard Hughes Corp. for Lots 2 and 3. Details of both developers' best and final offers can be viewed on our website here: <http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hcda/october-29-2015-minutes/>.

The HCDA began enforcing its park closures and rules on December 15, 2015, after numerous complaints from the public about homeless encampments in the parks of Kakaako Makai. In the weeks leading up to the enforcement, HCDA staff, contractors, service providers, and Sheriff's deputies informed campers about park hours and abandoned property rules in a coordinated effort. All HCDA-owned parks in Kakaako close at 10 p.m. nightly and reopen at 5:30 a.m. at Kewalo Basin Park and at 6:00 a.m. for all other parks. No property can be stored in parks overnight.

Several times each week, HCDA contractors carefully documented and sorted the abandoned property that was left in the parks following the 10 p.m. closure. Our contractors were trained to separate trash from personal belongings so that all valuables could be stored. A stored property program is now in place to allow individuals to reclaim belongings that were left behind.

In coordination with the city, a free shuttle bus was available during each enforcement to transport people to various Oahu shelters. Outreach providers and translators in four different languages were also on hand to offer assistance.

Please feel free to contact HCDA staff, 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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