HCDA UPDATES

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Construction notice

Aloha Solar has begun construction on Coral Seas Road, which may cause temporary disruption of traffic.

Work on the Kalaeloa Energy Corridor, Phase 2 has also begun. This project started in July, with expected completion in February of 2020.

Normal working hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

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New laws affecting HCDA

Act 268, established the Stadium Development District, which includes all state property under the jurisdiction of the stadium authority. This bill authorizes HCDA to facilitate the development of all state property within the District. Requires a memorandum of agreement for matters affecting the District. Directs DLNR to transfer title of stadium lands to the Stadium Authority. Subjects leases of land within the District to not more than 99 years.

Act 213, makes permanent the requirement that decisions in contested case hearings of the Commission on Water Resource Management, Land Use Commission, Public Utilities Commission, HCDA, and those involving conservation districts be appealed directly to the Supreme Court, with certain exceptions.

Act 110, requires the Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) to submit a report to the Legislature regarding the existing administrative hearings process in the State and the potential for a centralized office of administrative hearings. Requires state departments and agencies to provide statistical, non-confidential information on contested case hearings to LRB.

Act 005, the State budget bill, requires HCDA to submit a comprehensive transition plan and proposed legislation to transfer control of the Authority's Kakaako development district.

Act 166, requires HCDA to consult with various entities in developing the Heeia State Park community-based long-range plan for the Heeia National Estuarine Research Reserve System.

In August HCDA will hold its Authority meeting at the Windward Community College.

Closing Kalaeloa field office

After over a decade of serving the Kalaeloa development district, as of July 31, 2019 the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) will be closing its Kalaeloa field office located at 91-5420 Kapolei Parkway.

The field office was opened following the creation of the Kalaeloa community development district with Act 184.

Since then the HCDA's kuleana has doubled with the creation of the Heeia district in 2011 and Aloha Stadium in 2019. The decision to close the Kalaeloa field office is to consolidate its resources to service each of HCDA's development districts, located throughout Oahu in Kakaako, Kalaeloa, Heeia, and Halawa. By bringing all HCDA's functions under one roof, we hope to realize efficiencies to generate the capacity to better serve all districts.

HCDA will continue to serve Kalaeloa from its main office at 547 Queen Street, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813. We will also be scheduling routine visits to monitor district activities, participate at the Kapolei Neighborhood Board meetings and Kalaeloa Stakeholder meetings, and continue to hold Kalaeloa development permit hearings in the Kalaeloa/Kapolei area.

The number for all the HCDA development districts is (808) 594-0300. Please don't hesitate to call, if we can be of service.

HCDA Board action this month

The Authority Elected its officers for fiscal year 2019-2020. Chair is John Whalen, vice chair is Philip Hasha and the secretary is Wei Fang.

The Authority accepted the Determination of Finding of No Significant Impact for the Final Environmental Assessment prepared for the State's proposed Transpacific Broadband Cable Landing Project.

The Authority appointed members to a permitted interaction group to provide recommendations on the study to transfer control of the Kakaako Community Development District. The members include John Whalen, Philip Hasha, Jason Okuhama and Kevin Sakoda.

The Authority authorized the executive director to expend up to \$100,000 for the study to transfer its control of the Kakaako Community Development District.

The next HCDA board meetings will be held on August 7 at 547 Queen Street, 2nd Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817. Board agendas are posted on the website the Thursday before meetings.

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