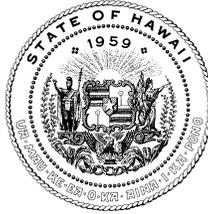


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**MINUTES
OAHU ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE: Wednesday, August 8, 2012
TIME: 10:00am
PLACE: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Kalanimoku Building-Board Room
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

ATTENDANCE:

Members: Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu, Chair
Chuck Ehrhorn
Shad Kane
Aaron Mahi
Steve Hoag
Danna Holck

Staff: Pua Aiu, Administrator
Kawika Farm, Burial Sites Specialist
Susan Lebo, Archaeologist
Deona Naboa, Archaeologist

Absent: Pokii Magallenes Excused
Likeke Scheuer Excused
Cy Brides Excused

Guest: David Shideler David Lato
Lance Parker Natalie Kiehm
Eric Padget Mike Lee
Hal Hammatt Faye Hanohano
Sheila Valdez Dawn Hegger
Jeannin Russo Matt McDermott
Ralph Makaiau Chris Monahan
Haaheo Gwansen Steve Clark
Dawn Chang Lani Maa Lapilio
Mapuana De Silva Alani Apio

Keola Lindsey

I. CALL TO ORDER/PULE

The Oahu Island Burial Council (OIBC) chair, Hialeimoana Wong-Kalu called the meeting to order at 10:30am. Wong-Kalu asked OIBC member, Shad Kane to give the *pule wehe*.

II. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

OIBC council members; Wong-Kalu, Aaron Mahi, Steve Hoag, Chuck Ehrhorn, Shad Kane and Danna Holck introduced themselves. From the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD); Kawika Farm and Susan Lebo introduced themselves.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 11, 2012

Mahi moved and Hoag seconded to accept the minutes.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Cultural Recognition of Kaleikini Family members to the burials found at the International Market Place Re-development Project. TMK: 2-6-022:036, 037, 038, 039 & 043.

Information/Discussion/Decision:

Due to a lack of information, agenda item IV-A was deferred until the next OIBC meeting.

B. Update on burials found during Archaeological Inventory Survey at proposed Target Site in Kailua. TMK: 4-2-001:044

Information/Discussion:

Wong-Kalu asked the matter be deferred and discussed later in the agenda.

C. Koolani Phase II Project, Kakaako, Waikiki Ahupuaa, Honolulu (Kona) district, Island of Oahu. TMK: 2-3-006:017

Information/Discussion:

Lance Parker the vice-president of Alexander and Baldwin (A&B) properties introduced Natalie Kiehm, also a vice-president with A&B and project manager for the above project. Parker introduced Lani Maa Lapilio of Aukahi who is the cultural consultant for the project and Hal Hammatt of Cultural Surveys Hawaii (CSH) the project's contracted archaeological firm. Parker gave a brief history and background of the project. Parker said 27 burials were encountered during initial archaeological work by CSH and ultimately preserved in place. The project was redesigned to accommodate the preservation in place of the 27 burials found. Recognized descendants has been consulted and involved at every step of the project. Parker said six burials were inadvertently encountered and relocated into the preservation area where the 27 burials are preserved.

Hammatt went over the archaeological work conducted for the project by CSH.

Wong-Kalu thanked the project representatives for coming and updating the council at her request and was pleased with the consultation efforts made by the developers.

**D. International Market Place Re-development Project. TMK: 2-6-022: 036, 037, 038, 039 & 043.
Information/Discussion**

Wong-Kalu said the agenda item was listed twice and deferred the matter for the time being.

V. OLD BUSINESS

**A. Possible burial at Kunia. Report to Council from *Sheila Valdez*, community member, Kunia, Ewa, Oahu. TMK: 9-2-004:005 and 9-2-004:013
Information/Discussion:**

Sheila Valdez read her letter dated 8/8/12 onto record. Valdez was concerned about sites and potential burials in the area and asked to be consulted regarding the current development. Valdez also requested to be included in any future site visit.

Pua Aiu the administrator of SHPD said the matter is an ongoing investigation and could not comment at the present time.

Wong-Kalu assured Valdez she would be updated as information becomes available.

OIBC chair asked to take up previously deferred agenda item IV-B.

**Update on burials found during Archaeological Inventory Survey at proposed Target Site in Kailua. TMK: 4-2-001:044
Information/Discussion:**

Alani Apio introduced Mapuana De Silva and Eric Padget the project representative from Target. Apio said De Silva represented a group of recognized descendants in Kailua that are very active and involved in working with development projects in the Koolaupoko district. Apio gave a brief background on the project and archaeological work at the proposed Target site. Apio said two burials have been found as a result of archaeological work and consultation with descendants is ongoing regarding proper treatment for the burials. Proposed treatment is to preserve both burials in place. The archaeological work has temporarily been suspended until proper treatment of both burials has been addressed. Apio gave a brief background of projects De Silva and other descendants have been a part of. Apio highlighted some of the group's success stories.

Kane wanted to know how Target was able to come to the decision of redesigning their building in order to preserve the burials in place. Padget said Target wants to do the right thing and what is culturally appropriate.

Holck wanted to know if Target would continue to redesign their project if more burials are encountered. Padget said Target is committed to redesigning to the degree they are able to.

De Silva was grateful Target agreed to preservation in place for the burials encountered. De Silva shared some of her experience regarding the treatment of other burials and their positive outcomes. De Silva thanked Apio, Target and the other developers for all their hard work and commitment to do the right thing. De Silva said she and the other descendants have accepted the *kuleana* of caring for the burials they preserved.

Wong-Kalu thanked Apio, De Silva and Padget for their time and commitment of doing the right thing and caring for burials.

B. Informational update and consultation on data recovery component for a burial site at Mauna Lahilahi Cultural Garden Park. Makaha, Waianae, Oahu. TMK: 8-4-001:008, 009

Information/Discussion:

Gary Cabato the director of parks and recreation introduced himself and Dexter (inaudible) parks and recreation district manager. Cabato gave a brief background of the project and informed the council that an archaeological firm has been contracted to develop the appropriate burial treatment plan. Cabato said consultation with descendants has been ongoing.

Dexter said Chris Monahan of CSH is the project's archaeologist that developed the burial treatment plan. Dexter shared some of the archaeological work which has occurred and the results of some of the consultation from descendants. Dexter said the descendants requested a *paipai* be constructed for the burials.

Wong-Kalu asked that consultation with descendants continue and the council be updated on the matter at a future OIBC meeting. Cabato agreed to continue consultation with the families involved with the project.

C. International Market Place Re-development Project. TMK: 2-6-022: 036, 037, 038, 039 & 043.

Information/Discussion:

Lani Maa Lapilio of Aukahi introduced Les Goya of the Queen Emma Land Company, the landowner and David Shideler of CSH, the contracted archaeological firm.

Goya gave a brief background of the project. Goya said the environmental impact statement has been approved and the project will work to obtain the necessary permits on the next stage of development. Goya said consultation with tenants has been ongoing and the OIBC would be updated in the future.

Shideler said CSH has completed an archaeological inventory survey (AIS) and submitted the AIS to SHPD for review. The AIS encountered three burials for which a burial treatment plan will be developed. Consultation with descendants and the developer has been ongoing to preserve the burials in place.

Lapilio said the project has hosted six consultation meetings with recognized descendants and also agreed to update the council at a future OIBC meeting.

D. Kawaiahao Church Multi-Purpose Building Renovation Project Update. Honolulu Ahupuaa, Kona District, Island of Oahu. TMK: 2-1-032:017

Information/Discussion:

Michael Lee a recognized cultural descendant requested an update on the project. Aiu said SHPD has limited jurisdiction on the matter and needed a formal request to disclose the requested information. Aiu said the request must cite the freedom of information act. Wong-Kalu emailed a formal request to Aiu from her laptop.

E. Update from Hawaii Authority for Rapid Transit (HART) regarding the Honolulu Rapid Transit Corridor Project for the areas of Honouliuli, Hoaeae, Waikele, Waipio, Waiawa, Manana, Waimano, Waiau, Waimalu, Kalauao, Aiea, Halawa, Moanalua, Kahuiki, Kapalama, Nuuanu, Pauoa, Makiki, and Waikiki Ahupuaa. Information/Discussion:

Dawn Hegger the programmatic agreement manager for the project introduced Matt McDermott of CSH, the archaeological firm conducting the AIS for the project.

McDermott said initial archaeological work would involve the use of ground penetrating radar proposed to start next week. Test trenches would also be excavated and the council would be updated regularly.

Hegger said a meeting was held on July 22, 2012 and the project representatives were currently working on concerns that arose at the meeting. One of the concerns involved conducting a site visit for the project. Hegger said another meeting would occur in the near future.

Wong-Kalu requested an update on the status of the council's task force for HART regarding composition and length of term the task force could exist as. Aiu said further clarification with AG's office was needed and would get back to the council. Wong-Kalu also requested an update regarding the proposed location to temporarily curate *iwi* that may be inadvertently encountered during the project. Wong-Kalu wanted to know if the proposed curation facility had to remain on the project area or if the curation facility could be located off the project area.

Lee a recognized cultural descendant for Honouliuli *ahupuaa* raised concerns regarding potential impact to a karst system in the area from the project. Lee felt he was being shout out from the consultation process and requested to be more involved. McDermott said he worked with the project's geologist and was informed the project would not impact the karst system which may be in the area. Lee was concerned the pressure from the project may cause the karst system to collapse.

Hegger agreed to follow up with Lee within a week regarding his concerns to be a consulting party and the karst system.

McDermott thanked Lee for his testimony.

VI. REPORT ON INADVERTENT BURIALS

Wong-Kalu read the July report onto record. Wong-Kalu encouraged council members to participate in any reinterment opportunities afforded to them.

Wong-Kalu apologized for her lack of oversight with ensuring the Public Land Development Corporation had been placed on the council's agenda. Wong-Kalu asked that the matter be placed on the next OIBC agenda for discussion. Wong-Kalu said she has been involved on the council's behalf by attending and participating in consultation meetings.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Section 106 Committee. MV-22 Basing at Marine Corps Base Hawaii

Aiu said the MV-22 is a six winged hybrid helicopter where the military intends to use Mokapu and Pohakuloa on Oahu, potentially Kalaupapa on Molokai and PMRF on Kauai as training grounds to practice military exercises. Aiu said the proposed training has received a lot of community opposition. Aiu said SHPD signed off on the programmatic agreement for the project.

B. Rail Transit Committee. HART Quarterly Meeting

This agenda item was skipped as it was discussed earlier as agenda item V-E.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Legislative Update regarding burials-Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Keola Lindsey from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) said the previously proposed consolidation of a statewide burial council bill did not pass. Lindsey said OHA is focused on developing a pool of applicants capable of serving on a burial council to minimize potential lapse with appointments. Lindsey acknowledged resolution on issues involving burial council composition and applicable ratios were ongoing.

Ehrhorn expressed concern regarding composition and quorum for burial councils and suggested the law be revised. Aiu said the AG's office recommended each island set a composition which will never change and was working on implementing the recommendation. Aiu said the council is able to meet without a quorum only for the purpose of sharing information. Aiu said the council is not allowed to take any action without having a quorum. Ehrhorn, Hoag and Wong-Kalu supported the flexibility shared by Aiu. The council members wanted to accommodate and be considerate of guests that attended OIBC meetings and thought the flexibility shared by Aiu would help.

Ehrhorn announced he would not be able to attend the next OIBC meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mahi moved and Ehrhorn seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:10pm.

VOTE: Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kawika Farm