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1 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Good morning. This is

- the October 22nd, 2015, Land Use Commission meeting.
- 3 The first order of business is the adoption
- 4 of the October 16, 2015 minutes. Are there any
- 5 corrections or comments on them? If not, is there a
- 6 motion to adopt minutes?
- 7 COMMISSIONER MAHI: I move.
- 8 COMMISSIONER ESTES: Second.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: A motion has been made
- 10 by Commissioner Mahi and seconded by Commissioner
- 11 Estes to adopt the minutes.
- 12 All in favor say "aye", any opposed? The
- minutes are adopted unanimously.
- 14 The next agenda item, tentative meeting
- 15 schedule. Mr. Orodenker.
- 16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Thank you, Mr.
- 17 Chairman. Tomorrow we have a hearing on AO6-771,
- 18 Motion to Show Cause in the Dudley case. That will
- 19 be held here.
- November 4th, which is Wednesday, West
- 21 Hawaii Civic Center Building will be having a
- 22 continuation of McClean Honokohau Motion.
- November 18th to 19, Wednesday and
- 24 Thursday, Maui Arts and Cultural Center to acceptance
- of the FEIS for A10-786 which is the Olowalu project.

1	December 9th and 10, Maui DOT meeting for
2	Commissioner training, and site visit to Ma'alaea
3	Plantation on December 10th.
4	January 2016, a tentative hearing
5	scheduled. I don't have a specific date for that yet
6	for Ma'alaea Plantation, and February is set aside
7	for that as well, and that takes us out through
8	February.
9	CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Thank you, Mr.
10	Orodenker.
11	Commissioners, do you have any questions?
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1	BEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION
2	OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I
3	In the Matter of the )DOCKET NO. SP09-403
4	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL) SERVICES, CITY AND COUNTY )
5	OF HONOLULU )
6	For a New Special Use ) Permit To Supersede )
7	Existing Special Use Permit) to Allow A 92.5-Acre )
8	Expansion and Time ) Extension for Waimanalo )
9	Gulch Sanitary Landfill, ) Waimanalo Gulch, O'ahu, )
10	Hawai'i, Tax Map Key: ) 9-2-03:72 and 73 )
11 12	STATUS REPORT
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	Held on October 22, 2015, commencing at 9:35 a.m., at
14	the Honolulu Airport, 400 Rodgers Blvd., Suite 700,
15	Room 3, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819.
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1 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: The next agenda item is

- a meeting on Docket No. SP09-403, Department of
- 3 Environmental Services City and County of Honolulu,
- 4 Civil No. 09-1-2719-11 to receive a status update
- 5 regarding the Special Use Permit that encompasses
- 6 approximately 107.5 acres Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary
- 7 Landfill and an approximately 93.122 acre lateral
- 8 expansion, Tax Map Key: 9-2-03:72 and 73.
- 9 Would the parties please identify
- 10 themselves?
- MS. VIOLA: Good morning, Chair and
- 12 Commissioners, Dana Viola on behalf of Department of
- 13 Environmental Services.
- MR. CHIPCHASE: Cal Chipchase for
- 15 Intervenor for the Ko'olina Community Association and
- 16 Maile Shimabukuro.
- 17 MR. YEE: Good morning, Deputy Attorney
- 18 General Bryan Yee on behalf of Office of Planning.
- 19 With me is Rodney Funakoshi from the Office of
- 20 Planning.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Thank you. Let me
- 22 update the record.
- On May 16, 2014, the Commission met and
- 24 received a status report from the Department of
- 25 Environmental Services, City and County of Honolulu.

1 The Commission considered the status report and the

- 2 comments presented by the other parties in this
- 3 proceeding and issued a Decision and Order to require
- 4 the Applicant to file a written status report with
- 5 LUC on the proceedings of the Planning Commission
- 6 every other month starting from July 2014 with
- 7 service upon the other parties in this matter on
- 8 May 28th.
- 9 The Commission received the mandated
- 10 reports from the Department of Environmental Services
- in May, July, September and November of 2014 and
- 12 January, March, May, July and September of 2015.
- 13 On October 13th, 2015 the Commission mailed
- 14 the LUC October 22-23, 2015 agenda notice to the
- parties, the statewide and Oahu mailing list.
- 16 For members of the public, please be
- 17 reminded that the Commission will not be considering
- 18 the merits of the Special Use Permit No. 2008/SUP-2
- 19 petition, rather the Commission is interested in
- learning what is the current state of the proceedings
- 21 related to this Special Permit pending before the
- 22 Honolulu Planning Commission.
- 23 Public testimony in regards to this report
- 24 will be heard after the Applicant has completed its
- 25 report and the Parties and Commission have completed

- 1 their questioning.
- 2 Let me go over our procedures for this
- 3 docket.
- 4 First, I will call for the Applicant to
- 5 provide the status update on this matter.
- 6 After the County's report and the
- 7 completion of questioning by the Intervenors, OP and
- 8 the Commission, those individuals desiring to provide
- 9 public testimony for the Commission's consideration
- will be asked to identify themselves and will be
- 11 called in order to our witness box where they will be
- 12 sworn in prior to their testimony.
- 13 After completion of the public testimony,
- 14 the Intervenor will then be heard in the following
- 15 order: Intervenor for Hanabusa, then Intervenor
- 16 Ko'Olina Community Association and Senator Maile
- 17 Shimabukuro.
- Then the State Office of Planning will then
- 19 be given the opportunity to comment. The Commission
- 20 will then ask any final questions it might have of
- 21 the Parties.
- 22 The Chair would also note that from time to
- 23 time I will be calling for short breaks.
- 24 Are there any questions on our procedure
- 25 for today?

1 Ms. Viola, will you please provide your

- 2 status report.
- MS. VIOLA: The status report is as
- 4 indicated in the updates that we provided. I believe
- 5 that the City -- I believe that it states on behalf
- of the City as well as community association that the
- 7 negotiations are successful. They're proceeding
- 8 successfully, and that in this light, in particular
- 9 that we have accomplished -- the City has
- 10 accomplished its primary objectives of continuing to
- 11 divert municipal solid waste from the landfill, in
- 12 particular sewage sludge which we are successfully
- 13 now burning at the H-Power facility.
- 14 In light of the accomplishments that the
- 15 City has already made, and the City intends to
- 16 continue to focus on diversion of waste streams from
- the landfill, the parties want to continue to
- 18 negotiate with that common goal, continuing
- 19 diversion.
- 20 And so the parties are requesting a
- 21 continuance of the negotiations for an additional
- 22 18 months so that we could essentially establish and
- 23 memorialize objectives for the continuing diversion.
- 24 And to that effect, the parties will commit to a
- 25 18-month continuation of the negotiations by way of

- 1 stipulation.
- 2 And we would file a stipulation with the
- 3 Planning Commission that will memorialize that
- 4 18-month period of negotiation, that commitment. We
- 5 would seek approximately two months to essentially
- 6 stipulate to the specific objectives that the parties
- 7 will have in terms of land fill diversion. And once
- 8 the stipulation as to those objectives has been, or
- 9 the objectives have been established, we will also
- 10 commit to an every three-month update in front of the
- 11 Planning Commission to provide the progress on those
- 12 negotiations.
- 13 At this point we feel that we've made
- 14 significant progress in light of coming to a joint
- 15 recommendation for the Planning Commission to resolve
- 16 the SUP application.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any questions, Mr.
- 18 Chipchase?
- MR. CHIPCHASE: No questions, Chair. I
- 20 believe Ms. Viola has stated it accurately. What it
- 21 would look like within the next two months, we would
- 22 agree on a form of a stipulated order to be filed
- 23 with the Planning Commission and approved and adopted
- 24 by the Commission.
- That order would provide for an 18-month

1 continued negotiation period beginning from today.

- 2 And then as part of that order, there would be the
- 3 parties' stipulated list of continuing diversion
- 4 objectives for the City that also set some realistic
- 5 time frames that the parties can come to agreement.
- 6 That's why we ask for two months to enter
- 7 that order, because we anticipate some continued
- 8 discussions to reach that agreement. Once that gets
- 9 on file with the Planning Commission, then we would
- 10 continue to provide periodic updates, we think
- 11 through the Planning Commission, since that's the
- 12 body that has the consolidated case now and with whom
- 13 we would file the stipulated order.
- In terms of frequency of those updates, Ms.
- Viola suggested every three months. As far as
- 16 Ko'olina is concerned, we would be fine with less
- 17 frequent status reports, and before the Commission,
- 18 but we would suggest three, and on set dates so that
- 19 there's sufficient time for there to be meaningful
- 20 progress to achieve those objectives before we come
- 21 back before the Planning Commission to report where
- we are.
- 23 It doesn't seem to make a lot of sense to
- 24 come in and say we're not there yet. I want to give
- 25 the City time to make some progress so that we have

- 1 real updates before the Planning Commission.
- 2 But for me the frequency is a detail that
- 3 the parties can work out with consent and concurrence
- 4 with the Planning Commission.
- 5 It would be enough for us, I believe, if
- 6 the Commission, this body, accepted that as the
- 7 approach and directed us to proceed accordingly with
- 8 the objectives and the frequency of the updates to be
- 9 negotiated and determined by the parties as approved
- 10 by the Planning Commission.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Thank you. Mr. Yee,
- 12 any questions?
- 13 MR. YEE: We have no comments on the
- 14 substance of this. We do have a question that's
- 15 unclear to us on the status of Senator Hanabusa
- 16 and/or Representative Shimabukuro. I understand Mr.
- 17 Chipchase represents Shimabukuro, so it's helpful to
- 18 clarify whether this also represents a stipulation
- 19 from her, and whether this represents a stipulation
- 20 from Senator Hanabusa. Thank you.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: I will have Mr.
- 22 Chipchase to help us with comments later.
- 23 Any comments from the Commissioners or
- 24 questions to Ms. Viola? VICE CHAIR WONG.
- 25 VICE CHAIR WONG: I have a question. First

- 1 thing is what is the status of SUP?
- 2 MS. VIOLA: The status of SUP is that it's
- 3 pending. It was remanded to the Land Use Commission,
- 4 and Land Use Commission has remanded or requested
- 5 consolidation with the related case that was ongoing
- 6 at the time. So the SUP is before the Planning
- 7 Commission presently.
- 8 VICE CHAIR WONG: Right now it's expired
- 9 per se, right?
- 10 MS. VIOLA: No. The position of the City
- 11 is that it has not expired. The Planning Commission
- 12 and the Land Use Commission had granted SUP for the
- duration for the capacity of the landfill. So it has
- 14 not expired.
- What has been struck by the Supreme Court
- which is the subject matter of the appeal was the
- deadline that was imposed by the Planning Commission
- 18 for municipal solid waste, not ash and residue, but
- 19 municipal solid waste as of July 31st, 2012. That
- 20 deadline has been struck by the courts.
- 21 VICE CHAIR WONG: So the question is when
- is the Planning Commission going to take up this
- 23 issue?
- MS. VIOLA: Well, what we're proposing is
- 25 that the Planning Commission, who has agreed to allow

1 the parties to negotiate, would give us an additional

- 2 18 months, as described by both myself and Mr.
- 3 Chipchase. And so that the parties can provide for
- 4 joint recommendation to resolve the Application that
- is now before the Planning Commission.
- 6 VICE CHAIR WONG: Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any others questions?
- 8 Vice Chair Scheuer.
- 9 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Aloha. This would be
- 10 either to the City or the Intervenors. Why
- 11 18-months? It seems like for something that's
- 12 already gone on a long time, it's a fairly long
- 13 additional time that you're seeking.
- 14 MS. VIOLA: Additional 18 months is
- primarily in regards to the plans that the City has
- 16 for further diversion. Some of the waste streams
- 17 that we are focused on are shredder waste, the home
- 18 waste, to reduce number of trucks going to the
- 19 landfill, and ultimately ash and residue.
- 20 The reason why it's taken -- I understand
- 21 it's taken three years, and we ask for additional
- 22 time -- is that it's not a quick process. We have
- 23 been working to find alternative disposal methods for
- these waste streams. We've reduced it significantly
- in the last three years. The waste that we were

1 talking about in 2011 and 2009, the City has made

- 2 great strides in reducing the amount of stuff going
- 3 to the landfill.
- 4 And we want to target additional waste
- 5 stream to remove from the landfill so that we would
- 6 ultimately have a landfill that perhaps would not be
- 7 a full landfill.
- 8 So the reason we need more time is because
- 9 the alternative uses or alternative disposal methods
- 10 are immediate. This is something that we have to
- 11 work on. At this point in time, ash and residue
- 12 reuse is not being conducted anywhere in the country.
- 13 I think at this point the State of Minnesota is doing
- 14 a private project on the reuse of ash. So that's
- 15 hopefully within reach of the City.
- 16 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: So if I may follow up.
- 17 So that it's not really the negotiations themselves
- 18 that need additional time, but the City's work
- 19 towards finding an acceptable solution that they can
- then bring into negotiations?
- 21 MS. VIOLA: That is really the focus on the
- 22 negotiations. I can let Mr. Chipchase speak on
- 23 behalf of his clients, but the joint goal is to
- 24 reduce use of landfill, so reduce impact on
- surrounding community, but I'll let him comment.

1 MR. CHIPCHASE: So the parties have been

- 2 working on reaching, if possible, a stipulated
- 3 proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law,
- 4 Decision and Order since about spring of 2013. So
- 5 the negotiations that have occurred to date have
- taken us to this point where we're able to say, okay,
- 7 we're ready to identify a list of remaining diversion
- 8 objectives, and we as Intervenors -- and to clarify
- 9 for the Chair and body -- that does include Ms.
- 10 Shimabukuro, both of us would be stipulating to that.
- 11 I can't, of course, speak for Mr. Wurdeman
- 12 and his client, but as far as my clients are
- 13 concerned, this stipulation would cover both of them.
- 14 And so we have reached a point in those
- 15 negotiations where we see an end in sight, the
- 16 18 months, and we're willing to accept that, it's
- gone on a long time for us as well.
- We've been involved with this for many
- 19 years even before that, but we're happy to see some
- 20 end to that, and having come so far with the City and
- 21 achieved this much, we think we're at a point that if
- 22 we list out those objectives, remaining diversionary
- 23 objectives at the end of 18 months, hopefully we will
- 24 have finally achieved a stipulated order for review
- 25 by the Planning Commissioner and of course this body.

1 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Thank you. One final

- 2 question for the City.
- 3 Do I understand correctly that because of
- 4 the pursuit of these matters, the City is no longer
- 5 looking at alternate sites?
- 6 MS. VIOLA: No. One of the conditions of
- 7 the existing SUP is to consider alternative sites. I
- 8 think in the context of finding alternative sites is
- 9 once this landfill has reached capacity so that if
- 10 the City has a continuing need to use a landfill,
- 11 which, you know, purportedly there will be as well as
- 12 emergency needs, and along with backup need for
- 13 H-Power, if H-Power goes down, if there's any kind of
- 14 fire goes down, any kind of emergency, there should
- be a backup for protection of the public.
- So we are continuing, the City is still
- 17 continuing to identify and build, hopefully locate an
- 18 alternative site, and under the circumstances, will
- 19 be used when this landfill is closed.
- 20 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: So can you just very
- 21 briefly say more specifically what is being done in
- 22 terms of alternative site identification?
- MS. VIOLA: Well, there was a committee
- 24 panel that looked -- that looked into alternative
- 25 sites. They came up with a list. That list was

1 produced in 2012, I believe, during the pendency of

- 2 the underlying Planning Commission proceeding.
- 3 But that committee looked at the sites from
- 4 a community aspect. What needs to be further
- 5 evaluated is the structural needs, infrastructure,
- 6 community impact, environmental impact. There is a
- 7 lot of other criteria that that committee was not
- 8 involved in.
- 9 Moving from the selection of 11 sites that
- 10 that committee identified, the City's now focusing on
- 11 timing, when will an alternative site be needed. Of
- 12 the 11 sites, which sites would be viable at the time
- when the landfill alternate site would be needed, if
- 14 the City can obtain that. And if those sites will be
- 15 available.
- So a number of factors that the City is
- 17 still evaluating to determine whether or not, of the
- 18 11 sites, whether they will be actually viable.
- 19 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any other questions for
- 21 Ms. Viola? Vice Chair Wong.
- 22 VICE CHAIR WONG: I have a question.
- 23 So right now you have three H-Power plants,
- 24 correct?
- MS. VIOLA: We have one H-Power plant but

- 1 it has three burners.
- 2 VICE CHAIR WONG: So most of the trash or
- 3 rubbish is being diverted to H-Power?
- 4 MS. VIOLA: Yes.
- 5 VICE CHAIR WONG: So less amount of trash
- 6 going to the landfill at this time?
- 7 MS. VIOLA: Yes.
- 8 VICE CHAIR WONG: So because of that, the
- 9 type of keeping it -- the type of amount of trash
- 10 that can go in has increased because there is less
- 11 trash going in?
- 12 MS. VIOLA: Right. What you're saying, the
- 13 life of the land has expanded because of the waste
- 14 diversion. Would that be accurate?
- 15 VICE CHAIR WONG: But you still have ash
- 16 from the boilers, the residual --
- 17 MS. VIOLA: Yes.
- 18 VICE CHAIR WONG: The question I have is,
- 19 because you have, from 2012, that group that is
- 20 looking for different sites, they haven't really --
- 21 they don't have a hard pushed because of this issue,
- is that correct?
- 23 MS. VIOLA: No. The group that was looking
- into -- the group that initially was assigned to
- 25 identify sites, their job is done. That group is

1 disbanded. They came out with their report, which I

- 2 believe is 11 sites that they identified. And from
- 3 that list, the City would have to work further in
- 4 terms of evaluating the viability of the 11 sites.
- 5 And what the City is now doing is, it's
- 6 correct, I mean in terms of the immediacy as opposed
- 7 to 2011-2009 when we would need an alternative site
- 8 because the life of the landfill has changed because
- 9 of the amount of diversion that we have accomplished,
- 10 then that well affect the viable sites on the list.
- So it's not that the City's any less
- 12 aggressive in identifying a site, but a criteria to
- determine the viability of the sites has changed from
- 14 the 2009 to the present date.
- So we're evaluating the present
- 16 circumstances and future uses. I mean if we are --
- if the City is capable of diverting ash, that's going
- 18 to change -- that's going to drastically change the
- 19 picture because then majority of everything that's
- 20 going into landfill will be reduced significantly.
- So when we'll need an alternative site,
- 22 when this present site is reached capacity, will have
- 23 changed drastically. So what the City has to
- 24 evaluate is different scenarios. And so in the
- 25 context of extrapolating or predicting, you know, the

- different scenarios in the future, we have to
- 2 evaluate -- likewise evaluate the viability of the
- 3 current sites on the list.
- 4 VICE CHAIR WONG: Just that I'm concerned
- 5 that because this area that's just on the whole
- 6 Leeward Coast have a lot of things thrown there, that
- 7 they are just being piled on, and they might be
- 8 saying, look, you guys don't care about us any more
- 9 because we are going to extend the landfill because
- 10 the landfill issue is just going to last forever.
- MS. VIOLA: In terms of the community,
- 12 that's one of the reasons why we are looking to
- 13 reduce the current usage of that landfill, so to
- 14 reduce the impact on the surrounding community.
- 15 The concerns in the past that the City has
- heard, of course, is the concern of disposal of
- 17 sewage sludge and bulky waste and lining of the
- 18 trucks, I mean all of these immediate concerns that
- 19 the community, that's what we are trying to address
- 20 by diverting waste.
- 21 VICE CHAIR WONG: Just that because they
- 22 know the landfill takes time to open a new one for
- 23 EIS, lining the hole and everything, that I hope the
- 24 City understand that it is not like you can turn it
- 25 around like that to open up a new landfill. So even

though they're looking for new site, it's probably

- 2 take next year to open it up.
- 3 MS. VIOLA: No, that was something that the
- 4 Planning Commission in the 2009 matter had identified
- 5 specifically that that was the reason why the
- 6 petition was added to the present SUP is that they
- 7 did not want to come to a situation where the land
- 8 must close tomorrow and we're starting to search
- 9 tomorrow.
- 10 No, the reason why the City is evaluating
- 11 alternative sites and continuing that evaluation is
- 12 because the City has to be prepared when the landfill
- 13 reaches capacity.
- 14 VICE CHAIR WONG: Because I've seen, you
- know, when this issue came up there was talk about
- 16 how Japan had issues where trash was going into the
- 17 parks. And I don't want to see the kids not using a
- 18 clean park, and then piled up on the sidewalks and
- 19 everything. So that's what I'm really worried about.
- 20 MS. VIOLA: I think I can assure you that
- 21 the City will not be looking to dispose any trash in
- our own parks.
- VICE CHAIR WONG: Thank you.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any other question for
- 25 Ms. Viola? Vice Chair Scheuer.

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1 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: If I may I want to,
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- 2 with forbearance of my fellow Commissioners, follow
- 3 up on the question Mr. Yee asked.
- 4 What has been the status of Mr. Wurdeman
- 5 and his client's participation in these discussions?
- 6 MS. VIOLA: At this point in time it's not
- 7 clear what their involvement is, so I think it would
- 8 move the City to reach out to Mr. Wurdeman. We
- 9 haven't had much contact with him, and I'm not sure
- on the level of involvement at this point.
- 11 MR. CHIPCHASE: That's correct,
- 12 Commissioner. I can speak to what his level of
- involvement is. If I had to speculate, I would say
- 14 it's not high. I had reached out to him. I expected
- 15 Richard to be here today.
- 16 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: I ask for the purpose
- of the goal is to reach a stipulated decision, but
- one of the parties is not a part of that decision,
- 19 that would affect how much faith we might put as a
- 20 body in this process going forward.
- 21 MR. CHIPCHASE: I certainly can understand
- 22 that. I think the two months that we have asked for
- 23 to reach stipulation include an update to the
- 24 Commission at the conclusion of that, whether we're
- 25 successful in reaching a stipulated order to the

- 1 Commission and who has signed off on. If the
- 2 Commission were uncomfortable with that, certainly we
- 3 could come before you again and address it.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any other questions for
- 5 Ms. Viola? Thank you, Ms. Viola.
- 6 Any individuals deciding to provide public
- 7 testimony on this docket? Thank you.
- 8 Mr. Chipchase, do you have any comments?
- 9 MR. CHIPCHASE: Chair, nothing further to
- 10 add.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any question for Mr.
- 12 Chipchase, Mr. Yee?
- MR. YEE: No questions.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Commissioners? Mr.
- 15 Yee.
- 16 MR. YEE: We have no further comments.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any questions for
- anybody?
- 19 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Are you feeling well,
- 20 Mr. Yee?
- MR. YEE: I remembered my coat today.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Commissioners? Last
- call, Commissioners.
- 24 As this is a status report, we are not
- 25 required to take any action at this time. If no

1 action is taken, the continued status report on this

- 2 docket will remain open. Any further discussion?
- 3 Commissioner McDonald.
- 4 COMMISSIONER McDONALD: If you can remind
- 5 me, what was the requirement for the status updates
- to the Land Use Commission? Every two months? Is
- 7 that actually necessary in light of their ongoing
- 8 negotiations? With parties negotiating, I should
- 9 say. Or is that actually a condition of the permit?
- 10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER: That was actually from
- 11 the last meeting we discussed this matter. We made
- 12 that request of the County. That is subject to
- 13 adjustment by the Commission. The staff can't
- 14 laterally change that.
- 15 COMMISSIONER McDONALD: Just a little
- 16 refreshing here. So it doesn't really make sense at
- 17 this point for the County to come back and provide a
- 18 status report in the next two months. I'm not sure
- 19 what the other Commissioners feel.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Commissioners?
- 21 COMMISSIONER McDONALD: Well, just going on
- 22 what was presented, the parties are looking in the
- 23 next two months to provide an update to the Planning
- 24 Commission within the next two months.
- MS. VIOLA: Right.

1 MR. CHIPCHASE: Actually reach a stipulated

- 2 order.
- 3 COMMISSIONER McDONALD: Within the next two
- 4 months.
- I'm sorry, Chair, so the two months, I
- 6 mean, are you folks okay coming back? Are you folks
- 7 going to be ready and have enough substance to
- 8 provide the Commission within that two months?
- 9 MS. VIOLA: We have been providing written
- 10 updates every two months, so we have only come before
- 11 the Commission one other time in May of 2014, I
- 12 believe. So if you want us to continue with the
- two-month update, but really I would agree with you
- 14 that I don't really -- I think it would be some
- overlap, since we are going to provide the
- 16 stipulation and we are going to stipulate, map out a
- schedule for updating the Planning Commission with,
- 18 we can cc the Land Use Commission as well.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Okay.
- 20 Vice Chair Scheuer.
- 21 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: So for the parties, my
- 22 understanding was you were actually asking us to sort
- of take an action today. We don't have to take an
- 24 action. So please correct me -- I'm often wrong, ask
- 25 my wife -- but my understanding from your

1 presentation was you have this plan to try to reach a

- 2 stipulated agreement within two-month's time, within
- 3 18 months have a final implemented agreement and you
- 4 were asking the Land Use Commission to sort of
- 5 endorse that process. That was my understanding.
- 6 MS. VIOLA: I guess, yes, endorse. I don't
- 7 think that there's anything before you that we're
- 8 asking you to take action from on the order.
- 9 I think maybe to address Commissioner
- 10 McDonald's concern, I'm not sure I can speak on
- 11 behalf of Cal, but the City would be very -- would
- 12 ask that the Commission maybe issue an order saying
- 13 the update is no longer necessary in light of the
- 14 stipulation that we plan to file with the Planning
- 15 Commission.
- 16 We don't have a problem with updating you,
- but it has been pretty similar every two-month update
- is that we're continuing to update. Short of
- 19 reaching conclusion, we are not going to go into
- 20 specifics of what we're actually considering. So
- 21 we'll continue to provide you with that if that's
- 22 what you prefer, but it does seem to me to be
- 23 somewhat duplicative.
- 24 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Just to follow up.
- Just to share my thoughts, and I'm sure my fellow

- 1 Commissioners have their own.
- 2 It seems that we have this existing order
- 3 to have you update every two months, but it so
- 4 happens within two months, hoping to have a
- 5 stipulated judgment, it would sort of make sense to
- 6 me to leave the existing order in place hoping that
- 7 you will come back actually with here's the
- 8 stipulated order, then that might be the appropriate
- 9 time to visit former Chair Member McDonald's concerns
- 10 like maybe we need to modify this because the
- 11 circumstances have improved and changed.
- 12 That's my kind of thought on it.
- MR. CHIPCHASE: We have no objection to
- 14 that.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Vice Chair Wong.
- 16 VICE CHAIR WONG: I was just going to say
- 17 what Commissioner Vice Chair just said we may have to
- 18 wait for the two months and then that's it. So I
- 19 just was going to listen to whatever Vice Chair
- 20 Scheuer says, which sounds right this time.
- 21 VICE CHAIR SCHEUER: Every ones in awhile,
- 22 Vice Chair Wong.
- MS. VIOLA: City has no objection.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any further discussion,
- 25 Commissioners?

1	There being no further business, I declare
2	this meeting in recess until 8:30 tomorrow morning.
3	VICE CHAIR WONG: Can I have a five-minute
4	recess because I want to clear the room and then go
5	into executive session.
6	CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Five-minute recess.
7	(Recess taken.)
8	CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Back on the record.
9	VICE CHAIR WONG: I want to move for
10	executive session to discuss the responsibilities of
11	the Commission with counsel and Executive Officer.
12	CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Any second then?
13	COMMISSIONER McDONALD: Second.
14	CHAIRPERSON ACZON: Moved and seconded.
15	Those in favor say "aye", opposed? Motion carries
16	(Executive Session.)
17	(The proceedings ended at 10:10 a.m.)
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2	STATE OF HAWAII ) ) SS.
3	COUNTY OF HONOLULU )
4	I, JEAN MARIE McMANUS, do hereby certify:
5	That on October 22, 2015, at 9:05 a.m., the
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7	machine shorthand and was thereafter reduced to
8	typewriting under my supervision; that the foregoing
9	represents, to the best of my ability, a true and
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12	I further certify that I am not of counsel for
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