

LAND USE COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

October 8, 2014- 9:30 a.m.

Leiopapa A Kamehameha Bldg., Rm. #405
235 S. Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chad McDonald
Arnold Wong
Edmund Aczon
Kent Hiranaga
Brandon Ahakuelo

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Jonathan Scheuer
Aaron Mahi

LUC STAFF PRESENT: Daniel Orodener, Executive Officer
Diane Erickson, Deputy Attorney General
Bert Saruwatari, Staff Planner
Riley Hakoda, Staff Planner/Chief Clerk
Haunani Nagel, Secretary

COURT REPORTER: Holly Hackett

AUDIO TECHNICIAN: Walter Mensching

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair McDonald asked if there were any corrections or additions to the September 24, 2014 minutes. There were none. Commissioner Wong moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Ahakuelo seconded the motion. By voice vote the minutes were unanimously approved (5-0).

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

Executive Officer Orodenker provided the following:

- The regular tentative meeting schedule has been distributed in the handout material for the Commissioners.
- October 29-30, 2014 is planned for A87-610/Tom Gentry and Gentry –Pacific Ltd. and DR14-41 Maui Lani Neighbors in the LUC conference room.
- November 12-13, 2014 is planned for A92-683/Halekua Development at the Honolulu International Airport.
- November 20, 2014 is planned for SP14-404 Jas. W. Glover in Hilo and
- December 10-11, 2014 is currently open.
- Above dates represent the tentative calendar of meetings and are subject to change.
- Any questions or conflicts, please contact LUC staff.

There were no questions or comments regarding the tentative meeting schedule.

HEARING & ACTION

SP77-271 AMERON HC&D (Maui)

Chair McDonald stated that this was a meeting on Docket No. SP77-271 AMERON HC&D (Maui), to consider Ameron International Corporation's Request to Transfer the Special Permit to Ameron Hawaii, LLC for quarrying operations at Pu'unene, Island of Maui, Hawaii

APPEARANCES

Erin Mukai, Planner, Munekiyo & Hiraga

Joel Kam, Esq., Ameron Hawaii LLC's Representative

Eric Yoshizawa, Ameron Hawaii LLC

Paul Fasi, Planner, Maui County Planning Department (County) (via teleconference phone)

Gabriel Gorman, Esq., Ameron International Corporation's Representative

Bryan Yee, Esq., Deputy Attorney General, State Office of Planning (OP)

Leo Asuncion, Acting Director, (OP)

PUBLIC WITNESSES

Chair McDonald asked if there were any public witnesses. There were none.

LUC Vice Chair Wong disclosed that the Mills Development Corporation, owned by Bill D. Mills, owner of Pohaku Pa`a, LLC, recently provided a donation to the Iron Workers Scholarship Fund. Mr. Wong further stated that he serves on the fund, but that he could be impartial on this matter. There were no objections from the Applicant, OP, or the County to Mr. Wong's participation in the proceeding.

PRESENTATIONS .

PETITIONER

Ms. Mukai provided a summary of Petitioner Ameron International Corporation's activities in regard to its Request to Transfer its Special Permit to Ameron Hawaii, LLC and introduced Mr. Yoshizawa to provide more details on Ameron Hawaii, LLC's operations. Mr. Yoshizawa shared the history and background of his organization and described how the ownership transfer occurred and why the transition did not disrupt normal operations.

There were no questions for either Ms. Mukai or Mr. Yoshizawa.

OP PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Yee had no witnesses or comments and stated that OP had no objection to the Petition.

COUNTY PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Fasi had no presentation or comments.

REBUTTAL

None

COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS

Vice Chair Wong asked if the conditions for the Special Permit would follow the transfer. Deputy Attorney General Erickson responded that the conditions would apply to the transferee.

Chair McDonald asked if the applicants were aware of the Special Permit conditions. Mr. Yoshizawa acknowledged that applicants were aware of the conditions and had been filing the required annual reports and pledged to continue to honor the conditions.

DECISION-MAKING

Chair McDonald asked what the pleasure of the Commission was. Commissioner Hiranaga moved and Commissioner Ahakuelo seconded the Motion to grant the transfer of the Special Permit.

Commissioner Hiranaga stated that he lived in close proximity to the Petition Area on Maui and appreciated how the applicant interacted with the Community and that he had no concerns regarding the permit transfer.

There were no further comments and no discussion.

Chair McDonald asked Executive Orodener to poll the Commission.

The Commission voted as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Hiranaga, Ahakuelo, Wong, Aczon, and Chair McDonald.

Nays: None

The Motion passed unanimously (5-0 with 2 excused).

There being no further action or other business, Chair McDonald declared the meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.