



# KAULUNANI URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM

**Meeting Minutes | August 12, 2021 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

*Advisory Council  
to the Division of Forestry and  
Wildlife*

Desiree Page  
Hawaiian Electric  
Chair

Leonard Bisel  
b+k design group, llc  
Vice-Chair

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Division of Forestry and Wildlife

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University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

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Jennifer Maydan  
Department of Planning,  
County of Maui

Colby Takeda  
Sharecare

Tammy Chase-Brunelle  
Hawai'i State Department of  
Health

Kris Kokame  
Alexander and Baldwin

**Attendees:** Council Members: Desiree Page, Matthew Gonser, Leonard Bisel, Katie Friday, Danielle Frohlich, Noa Lincoln, Kialoa Mossman, Colby Takeda, Tammy Chase-Brunelle, Marie Williams, Kris Kokame, Alex Connelly, Jennifer Mayden, Terri Koike, David Smith

**Staff:** Heather McMillen, Kate Wiechmann

**Guests:** Brayden Aki, Dwight Matsuwaki, Pua Heimuli, Josh Atwood, Miranda Hutten, Nate Herold, Andrew McGowan

**10:00 am Welcome, housekeeping, individual updates**

**11:02 am Review and approve [minutes](#) from May 2021 meeting**

Motioned: Terri motion to approve minutes

Second: Leonard

Abstain: None

Decision: All in Favor

**Minutes Approved**

**11:04 am Interactive Tree Canopy Viewer discussion**

- Presentations from [Miranda Hutten](#) (USFS), [Nate Herold](#) (NOAA), Andrew McGowan (NOAA)
- Tree canopy layer from EarthDefine should be available by the end of the year.

**Action item:** Send your suggestions for potential overlay datasets for Canopy Viewer to Heather or Brayden.

**11:39 am Community Grantee update**

- Current grantees - there are 22 community partnership grant projects currently under management
  - 11 Community Grant projects, 7 Arbor Day projects, 1 Forest Health project and 3 Level II funded projects
- Cost Share Challenge USFS Grant Awards - two awardees from Hawaii, which is an outstanding achievement in a Federal competition:
  - Kōkua Kalihi Valley: *La Mauiola: Health Days for the Hawai'iian Forest*



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- Maui Nui Botanical Garden: *Protecting Genetic Diversity and Developing Disease Resistance for a Keystone Native Hawai'ian Tree: 'Ōhi'a*

## 11:52 am Grants & Awards Committee review & recommendation of Community Grant Applications targeting Heath & Well being and/or Equity & Access

- Discussion:
  - Leonard explained the review process undertaken by the Grants & Awards Committee and how they arrived at the recommendations.
  - No questions or ensuing discussion requested.

- Council vote:

Motioned: Noa

Second: Kialoa

Abstain: Two People

13 Votes in Support

Council votes to support all recommended projects

Organization	Project	Amount
Aloha Tree Alliance	Kuli'ou'ou Trail Restoration Project	\$7,500
Better Block Hawaii	Trees for Kalihi	\$5,325
Dynamic Community Solutions (DCS) for Pu'u honua o Wai'anae	Inaugural Farming Plot of the Pu'u honua o Wai'anae Ma Uka Farm Village	\$7,383
Ka'ū High & Pahala Elementary School	Ka'ū High School Agroforestry Project	\$4,570
Ka'ōnohi Farm	Native Restoration	\$7,500
'Oahu 'Oahu Ko'olau, Inc. DBA: Ko'olau Watershed Foundation	Community Engagement and Volunteer Support at Ala Mahamoe Urban Forest Restoration Site	\$4,000
Oahu Resource Conservation & Development for Pop Up Labs for Sustainability (PULS)	Building a New Generation of Urban Foresters	\$5,876



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**2:08 pm** Working Lunch with [Committees](#) in breakout rooms

- [Grants Committee](#)
- [Education & Outreach Committee](#)
- [Policy & Ordinances Committee](#)
- [Invasive Species Committee](#)

**1:30 pm** Return to main meeting room & Committee updates

Please see Committee notes (linked above) for details.

**1:53 pm** Closing

**Action Item:** Please ensure Wed November 10th, 2021 9am - 4pm are reserved on your calendar; Details confirming an in person (9am-4pm), hybrid, or Zoom (10am - 2pm) meeting will be forthcoming.

