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DRAFT MINUTES, pending Oahu Island Burial Council APPROVAL
OAHU ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, June 28th, 2017
TIME: 10:17 AM
PLACE: Department of Land and Natural Resources
Board Room
Kalanimoku Building, 1st Floor
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

- Attendance:** Chuck Ehrhorn, Chair - Large Landowner Representative
Beverly Amaral – Koolaupoko Moku Representative
Danna Holck – Large Landowner Representative
Kali Fermantez – Koolauloa Moku Representative
Mana Caceres – Ewa Moku Representative
Aulii Mitchell, Vice-Chair – Waianae Moku Representative *[arrived at 12:13 PM]*
- Staff:** Regina K. Hilo, Burial Sites Specialist, SHPD
Susan Lebo, Archaeology Branch Chief
Kimi Matsushima, Lead Oahu Archaeologist
- Guests:** Kalehua Caceres
Kamaehu Caceres
Hiehie Caceres
Kamana Caceres
Adriane Trulnck, AECOM
Mingsua Luo, AECOM
Courtney Cacace, AECOM
Daniel Akiyama, Cultural Surveys Hawaii (CSH)
Dinh Wong, RPG
Natasha Baldauf, Sullivan Meheula Lee
Kaanohi Kaleikini
Matt McDermott, CSH
Hal Hammatt, CSH
Mishalla Spearing, CSH
David Shideler, CSH
Mark Babilonia, RLS LLP
Bill Haole, Kawaihahao
Lani Maa Lapilio, Aukahi
Russell Arakaki, Park Engineering
Gary Kam, City and County Department of Design and Construction (C&C DDC)
Dennis Toyama, C&C DDC
Mishalla Spearing, Cultural Surveys Hawaii (CSH)
Hal Hammatt, CSH
Michelle Pammer, CSH
Kaanohi Kaleikini, Descendant

Doug Borthwick, CSH
Matt McDermott, CSH
Sheila Valdez, Kunia
Henry Chang, Ililani
Aaron Lee, Ililani
Catherine Cruz, KITV
Bill Haole, Kawaiahao
David Shideler, CSH
Lani Maa Lapilio, Aukahi

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Ehrhorn at 10:17 AM

II. ROLE CALL/PULE

Oli offered by Kali Fermantez

Council members introduced themselves and their manner of representation: Beverly Amaral – Koolaupoko; Danna Holck – Large Landowner; Chuck Ehrhorn – Large Landowner; Kali Fermantez – Koolauloa; Mana Caceres - Ewa

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

~~A. Minutes from 12/14/2016~~

~~B. Minutes from 05/10/2017~~

Deferred to future OIBC meeting

IV. Business

A. Discussion on O‘ahu Island Burial Council membership, roles, and responsibilities Information/Discussion

Deferred to the end of the meeting by Chair Ehrhorn

Summary:

Next OIBC meeting is two weeks away, on July 12, 2017

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Ehrhorn provided closing words:

Great ride, been on OIBC continuously for 6 years

Strength, gained a lot from the experience

OIBC needs to continue to take care of the iwi.

Vice Chair Aulii: need to vote on who would be next in place

Chair Ehrhorn stated that he is surrounded by capable people, any of whom would make a great chair. Misses a Chair would could speak Hawaiian.

B. Department’s Recommendation to Recognize Paulette Kaanohi Kaleikini and ‘Ohana (names attached) as Cultural Descendants to Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains Encountered at Aloha Solar Energy Fund II Project, ‘Ili of Kalaeloa, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, Ewa District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 9-1-013:070 Discussion/Determination

Chair Ehrhorn read the above item onto the record

Chair Ehrhorn read the ‘ohana names onto the record

MOTION: to accept the department’s recommendation to recognized the named individuals as cultural descendants to unidentified human skeletal remains encountered at Aloha Solar Energy

Fund II Project, 'Ili of Kalaeloa, Honouliuli Ahupua'a, Ewa District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: [1] 9-1-013:070

Motioned by: K. Fermantez

2nd: B. Amaral

VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, none opposed

C. City and County of Honolulu, Department of Facility Maintenance, Proposed Ongoing Stream Maintenance Activities at Various Locations; Kona (Honolulu), Ko'olaupoko, 'Ewa, Waialua, and Wai'anae Districts, O'ahu, Various TMKs

Information/Discussion

*Presented by Courtney Cacace – AECOM; Mingsua Luo – AECOM; Adrian Trulnck, AECOM
Summary of PowerPoint presentation:*

City required to perform work in compliance and fulfillment of HARs, which is carried out through the Division of Roadway Maintenance

Work includes stream mouths, waters in the US, therefore an Army Corps of Engineers Permit 404 is required; as a federal permit, it triggers Section 106 consultation; the Army Corps of Engineers is leading the Section 106 consultation

- City and County of Honolulu (CCH) is therefore required to follow HRS 6E for historic preservation
- Most streams are 'improved' with concrete ditched and concrete lined sides
- Work has been ongoing; CCH seeks to engage and fulfill its HRS 6E historic preservation requirements and Section 106 Consultation; CCH doing due diligence to fully inform public
- CCH is creating a best practice manual (BMP) relating to water quality, biological, cultural, and historic resources

K. Fermantez stated that the project will have limited impact in Koolauloa.

C. Cacace stated the most or all of the work in Koolauloa will be at the stream mouths; Ewa had some work; there would be no work in Wahiawa; two of each in Waialua

Pre-consultation meeting and research, initial meeting(s) with SHPD, National and State Register of Historic Places sites, State Historic Bridge Inventory, Statewide GIS program and Kipuka

Preliminary APE, without SHPD concurrence, being developed, including:

Known sites with site extent(s) and boundaries

Necessary to know about historic sites

e.g. installation of turbidity curtains will not be anchored to any historic sites

Contact information for Courtney Cacace – AECOM, and Jessie Paahana – Army Corps of Engineers, was provided

Council member B. Amaral asked about the time frame of the project

C Cacace stated the project is limited by funding and resources, that maintenance is usually done at these sites once a year, with others done quarterly

Ming stated maintenance is done based on need, work needs to meet current regulations; in some cases, the preference and recommendation is to do stream maintenance during the dry season

Chair Ehrhorn mentioned a flood in Hawaii Kai sometime during the 1980's

Ming stated some areas are not included in maintenance because of a difference in land ownership

Paulette Kaleikini asked if this work included dredging of the Ala Wai

C Cacace stated this work does not include dredging of the Ala Wai, only maintenance at the streams

Paulette stated that water coming from mauka can affect what happens downstream

C Cacace stated acknowledged the possibility exists, though low, and the CCH had no knowledge of findings previously

Chair Ehrhorn stated the possibility for iwi upstream/mauka to be scoured and transported downstream

C Cacace replied that given where the streams are and the distance material would have to travel, discoveries are possible, but unlikely
Item D was taken next

D. Ililani Project, Kaka‘ako, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O‘ahu, TMKs: [1] 2-1-051:011 and 012

Information/Discussion: Update on the above project.

Chair Ehrhorn read Item D onto the record

Before the project was introduced, Matt McDermott – CSH, and Lani Maa – Aukahi, thanked Chair Ehrhorn for his years of service on the OIBC and the community

Project was introduced by Matt McDermott – CSH, Lani Maa – Aukahi, and Henry Chang – Ililani LLC

Summary provided below:

The project has been before the OIBC for discussion previously, with this being the project’s 4th time before the OIBC

AIS is ongoing, with findings of iwi kupuna; overview of the project area was provided in a PowerPoint presentation (TO FILE WITH COMPLETED MINUTES); project falls under Hawaii Revised Statutes 6E

On-site visits with Cultural Descendants and OIBC

B1 – single finger bone in disturbed context

B2 – previously disturbed flexed individual in situ

B3 and B4 – flexed female with young child

Previously land use: Puunui, Kakaako Saltworks, fishponds, Land Commission Awards (LCAs) to Kekuaaoa, Kukao, Kamamalu

Auwai o Paki – encountered during AIS

Swift and Co. Meat Wholesale warehouse

Historic habitation sites: glass, pipe, bottles, buttons

All 17 AIS test trenches complete

Want to focus on boundaries of burial areas and areas of disturbance (footprints of foundation pile caps)

[Henry Chang entered at 11:00 AM]

Consultation with SHPD on Thursday, June 22nd

Item E was taken next

E. Kihapai Place Project, Kailua Ahupua‘a, Ko‘olaupoko District, O‘ahu, TMKs: [1] 2-1-051:011 and 012

Information/Discussion

Chair Ehrhorn read the above item onto the record

Dr. Hal Hammatt – CSH, thanked Chair Ehrhorn for his years of service on the OIBC

Project was introduced and discussed by Dr. Hal Hammatt – CSH, and Jonah Kogen – project proponent

Summary of discussion:

Handouts were distributed

Intention is to preserve the burial in place

AIS was picked up at the end of fieldwork from the previous archaeological firm engaged, SIHP # 07938

Near Kawainui Marsh

Makalei tree, a female tree brought from Hilo

Work started with hand excavation to cross section the trenches previously dug by the former archaeological firm’s AIS testing

Relocation of the trenches via cross sectioning was successful, and CSH documented the fill and stratigraphy on both sides of the cross section; all profiles were documented

Complete avoidance of T6 – burial

T2 stratigraphy showed fill layers Ia, Ib, Ic, and Id; consistent in all trenches

Reclaimed land in the area

- Filled with sediments brought from elsewhere to expand mauka extent of Kailua dryland
- Iwi are in fill, therefore was likely imported

Kailua descendants have been informed and are supportive of the proposed burial treatment

Jonah – spread weight footing, more shallow than previous plan, with the intent of minimizing ground disturbance

- Plan was worked out with Alani and looked at the engineered solutions at D.R. Horton; design ideas were taken back to the landscape architect who engineered a solution with the direction and input of the deSilva and Mahoa ohana

Remains were initially taken out of the trench, and wrapped by descendants; a concrete utility box was secured by the project proponents and installed; wrapped remains were placed in the box, then secured, backfilled, and covered; fence of the burial preserve is 28-36”

D. Holck asked if the gate is lockable

Jonah stated that was possible and he would consult with the descendants about it

Chair Ehrhorn mentioned it may draw attention to the matter

Council discussion and comments from audience were about a securable gate, security, possible vandalism from the public, tenant education about the burial preserve and appropriate actions, signage or none; Mother Waldron Park was used as an example in that homeless sleep around the burial preserve, and children throw opala into the site; since the area will be on the property, perhaps it will be well-maintained; other burial preserve areas in Kailua were mentioned

Hal stated the deSilva’s and Mahoae have maintained the Kailua burial preserves, and chickens can be problematic

Chair Ehrhorn stated the Target and Whole Foods sites are attractive

B. Amaral suggested naupaka could be used as a vegetative barrier

Paulette Kaleikini offered the example of a burial site in town with a vegetative barrier of naupaka 7 to 8 feet tall, in which homeless people stay

Jonah stated the area will be well maintained

Hal stated the AIS still needed to be submitted to the SHPD, and after it is accepted by the SHPD, they will come before the OIBC with a BTP

Item F was taken next

F. 325 Seaside Avenue Redevelopment Project, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 2-6-022:048 Information/Discussion

Chair Ehrhorn read the above item onto the record

Project was introduced by Matt McDermott – CSH; Ben – Robertson Properties Group

Summary of discussion:

Ben stated The Robertson Properties Group is the former owner of Consolidated Theatres in Hawaii; the Consolidated Theatres ownership was sold, and The Robertson Properties Group retain ownership of the land

Project area is the former IMAX theatre, and the project is an adaptive reuse of the IMAX portion

Mostly renovation, 6E project, under an archaeological monitoring program

Planned improvements include foundation, civil, electrical and communications work

K. Fermantez asked about the proposed depth [of ground disturbance] for the work

Matt stated the water table is around 7 ft. below surface, with the current beams at 4 to 5 feet, in a highly disturbed area

PowerPoint presentation was referenced

All hatched areas were excavated in the 1990's, therefore any and all finds would have been documented

1817 Kotzebue map – early trail at Kalakaua Ave

1855 LaPasse – coconut area and Apuakehau stream

1881 – Kalia and Kaluaokau

1893 – banana groves

1915 – Kalia area stays relatively undeveloped

1920's – substantial fill was brought in to Waikiki

1933 and 1943 – no development in Kalia project area

1950 and 1951 – theatre

1990 and 1991 – Kenndy and Denham testing for Imax Theatre

- Excavation results show fill (Layer II) and natural stratigraphy, no Jaucus sand

G. ABC Warehouse Structural Retrofit Project, Kaka'ako, Honolulu Ahupua'a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O'ahu, TMK: [1] 2-1-052:007 (por.)

Information/Discussion: Update on the above project.

Chair Ehrhorn read the above item onto the record

Project was presented by Matt McDermott – CSH

Summary:

6E project, no federal funding

Warehouse – improve structural supports for existing warehouse

- Roof support structural retrofitting
- Ground disturbance
 - Roof support footings (12)
 - Testing

USGS soil survey – project area in Fill Land (FL)

1817 – salt pans, fishponds, trails

1885 – fishponds, salt pans

1883 – Honolulu Salt Pans

1927 – Dwellings

1927 – aerial photo shows dwellings

1940 – aerial photo shows dwellings

1950 map – dwellings

1982 – no Mother Waldron Park

Warehouses put in sometime around late 1950s

Previous archaeology

SIHP -07189: incinerator fill layer

SIHP -07124, -07197, -07190: overlapping sites with diffused boundaries

H. Kawaihae'o Church Multi-Purpose Building Renovation Project, Honolulu Ahupua'a, Kona District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: [1] 2-1-032:017

Information/Discussion: Update on the above project.

Chair Ehrhorn read the above item onto the record

Project was presented by: David Shideler – CSH, Lani Maa – Aukahi, and Bill Haole – Kawaihae'o

Summary:

Letter distributed

Consultation meeting with recognized cultural descendants, those interested in applying for descendant recognition, and others was held on May 15th, 2017

Remaining work: utility lines going into road right-of-way, water connection, HECO connection, Mission Lane connection; C&C review process

Electric line has been mostly completed; HECO asking for a transformer 6x6 sitting on a pad of 8'6" square, excavation associated with the electrical trench

2 finds during AIS

General approach and methods:

- Saw cutting concrete/asphalt surface
- Excavation is hand dug
- Usually a clear cut entry to cinder with clear transitions
 - No pits at the base of excavation
- Artifacts: roof slate, nails, building remnants
- Stratigraphy:
 - 1839 excavation: fill layer from prior disposition of excavated materials related to the excavation of the basement in 1839
- Utility lines for continuing use
- Profiles and stratigraphy documentation daily
- Best management practice: lining boards on sidewalls, supported by 2x2s
- Off-site utility connections

SHPD Archaeology and History and Culture branches did a site visit

[Vice Chair Ehrhorn entered the room at 12:13 PM]

Find of iwi at makai ewa portion of the project Multipurpose Center, likely washed onto the floor at some point in the past

Injunction to construction work in the footprint of MPC, using jersey barrier and filling with water/sand to support plywood sheets against the excavated sidewalls

Talus slopes subject to wind and water, iwi found will be protected in place

Current plan being discussed is to protect everything in place

Meeting on July 18th is with those descendants recognized by the OIBC at its meeting on July 12th

Chair Ehrhorn asked about the plywood supports and approximate depths of the burial

D. Shideler stated burials are typically found at 4-5ft. [below surface]

Chair Ehrhorn asked about support stakes at the base of excavation as anchor points

Vice Chair Mitchell thanked D. Shideler and the Kawaihāo Church for the site visit yesterday; heavy rains and movement of iwi from one place to another; some areas are well-cut and flat, while others are kapakahi (crooked); asked if there was construction there, how could the iwi be held in place?

D. Shideler stated the interim protective measures for the side wall, in terms of the plywood sheeting, could stay in place

Bill Haole stated the Church is leaning towards consultation with descendants and the OIBC, to fill the foundation walls, leaving plywood in place, but being open to stabilization

Vice Chair Mitchell asked about the holes in the coral, and if the holes would be filled, or left as is

Council Member Caceres stated the need to consider what the Council's thoughts are on the iwi kupuna that are still out of the ground and in curation. The best solution may be to fill in the sidewalls.

Chair Ehrhorn stated it was a good point Caceres raised. Chair Ehrhorn and Vice Chair Mitchell were given a tour by D. Shideler, Frank Pestana, Lani Maa.

Vice Chair Mitchell stated the places where churches are located are usually places with mana. Spirituality did not seem to be part of the discussion.

V. INADVERTENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. Inadvertent discovery of human skeletal remains on May 30, 2017 at American Savings Bank Campus Project, Honolulu Ahupua'a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O'ahu, TMKs: [1] 1-7-026:004 and 016

Information/Discussion

Presented by Regina K. Hilo

Discovery occurred on May 30, 2017; on site meeting with SHPD, project proponents, CSH, and cultural descendants was held on May 31, 2017 in the morning. A solution to allow preservation in place was developed by the project engineers. A Burial Site Component will be prepared for the project.

B. Inadvertent discovery of human skeletal remains on June 19, 2017 near Kamamalu Park, Honolulu Ahupua‘a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 2-1-005:001

Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above find.

Presented by Regina K. Hilo

Discovery occurred on June 19, 2017 by a homeless person who was digging and encountered human skeletal remains while digging. HPD was contacted and showed up to secure the site. Coordination between HDOT, SHPD, and the Statewide Homeless coordinator as well as Paulette Kaleikini allowed for interim protective measures for preservation in place to take place almost immediately. The area is now clean and secured with a locked gate; a Burial Site Component will be prepared.

C. Inadvertent discovery of human skeletal remains on April 22, 2017, at Pacific Beach Hotel, Waikīkī Ahupua‘a, Kona District, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 2-6-026:020

Information/Discussion: Update on the above find.

Presented by David Shideler – CSH, Lani Maa Lapilio – Aukahi, and Paul McElroy

Summary:

Pacific Beach Hotel is located on Queen Liliuokalani Trust lands

Muliwai of Kukaunahi

Pahale – residential LCA parcels

1459 – Kaihewa

1468 – Kaiahopuwalu

1437 – Kaohulinui

Punawai

Iwi kupuna were discovered on boundary of LCA 1468 and 1459

Archaeological Inventory Survey Plan (AISP) in under review at SHPD

Kaanohe Kaleikini has also reviewed the AISP

Historic land use and imagery:

1927 – duplexes and dwellings in Waikiki

1949 – UH SOEST aerial photo – dwellings and duplexes in Waikiki

1975 – UH SOEST aerial photo – modest homes and Pacific Beach Hotel

Iwi finds high on makai sides of street; iwi are found where they are located and where archaeologists do work

Overview of AISP approach

- Plan predicates on 25 trenches at 24 locales
 - 13 are in coconut tree planting areas, therefore if iwi are found, the tree can be moved
- Strategy based on coverage and exploration of LCAs
- Excavation focused on areas more than 18” deep, in places where excavation hasn’t been done

Chair Ehrhorn and Vice Chair Mitchell did a site visit on June 27, 2017

Paul McElroy stated the hotel hadn’t been renovated since it was originally built; research was done about the area to incorporate cultural traditions and history into hotel operations; local landscape architect, cultural training for staff; hotel will be re-named

Council Member D. Holck asked about structural reinforcements and if there was a corporate plan for treating iwi

Paul stated there is a 5th floor pool, therefore the pillars needed to be fiber-wrapped; new foundations have been dug and poured; no corporate policy in place specifically for iwi, but corporate policy is to be sensitive to cultural concerns

Chair Ehrhorn asked what Paul’s relationship is to Pacific Beach Hotel.

Paul stated that he is a senior Vice President, who works for the owners of the hotel.

Vice Chair Ehrhorn commented on the LCA's, and the local workers employed in the hotel's renovation work and rebranding work.

Paul stated there are barricades around the burial preservation area, with ti leaf in all four corners, and the area is swept out daily

Chair Ehrhorn stated the barricades were white saw horses.

One of the Council members asked about Paul's relationship to QLT

Paul stated QLT is the hotel's landlord; therefore, the hotel needed to conform to QLT's standards and conditions, that QLT reviews and approves plans

Chair Ehrhorn asked what the protocol is for inadvertent discoveries of human skeletal remains.

Paul stated the protocol is to inform QLT of the discovery.

Chair Ehrhorn compared this information with earlier experiences of QLT and OIBC in the way iwi are treated by QLT, stating that OIBC had a BTP everyone agreed on, but that QLT disagreed with the BTP

Council Member Caceres asked if CSH was brought on to do the AIS only, then the AMP would be resumed with SCS?

Paul stated that CSH would be on the project to its completion.

D. Mokapu/Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kāne'ōhe Ahupua'a, Ko'olaupoko District, Island of O'ahu, TMK: [1] 4-4-008:001

Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above item.

Presented by Regina K. Hilo

Summary:

No updates to report for this meeting. May not have an update in July, but possibly in August. Chair Ehrhorn had requested it remain on the agenda, and Regina complied with the request.

Item IV A was taken next.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12th, 2017, at 10 AM

MOTION: to end the meeting
MOTIONED BY: D. Holck
2nd: K. Fermantez and B. Amaral
VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR

Meeting adjourned at 1:31 PM

SUBMITTED IN DRAFT FORMAT for Oahu Island Burial Council consideration on July 5, 2017, for approval at the OIBC's meeting on July 12, 2017.

‘Ohana Kaleikini

**For recognition at the May 10th, 2017 Oahu Island Burial Council meeting,
agenda item below:**

IV. Business

- B. Department’s Recommendation to Recognize Paulette Kaanohi Kaleikini and ‘Ohana (names below) as Cultural Descendants to Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains Encountered at Aloha Solar Energy Fund II Project, ‘Ili of Kalaeloa, Honouliuli Ahupua‘a, Island of O‘ahu, TMK: [1] 9-1-013:070**

Piilani Keonealoha Kaleikini
Kahekilinuiahamanu Ulukou Kaleikini
Heulu Kuaialii Kaleikini
Lawakua Huanuikalalailai Kaleikini