

HIGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER 5, 2005 HCDA MEETING

Following is a summary of actions taken at the October 5, 2005 meeting of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).

Reconstruction of Improvements at Kewalo Basin, Makai Gateway and Kaka'ako Waterfront Parks

HCDA members authorized the HCDA Executive Director to expend up to \$900,000 of General Obligation Bond funds for reconstruction of improvements at the Kewalo Basin, Makai Gateway and Kaka'ako Waterfront Parks. Vandalism and waterfront conditions such as ocean spray have significantly deteriorated the hardscape, resulting in broken picnic tables and benches, rusting light poles, malfunctioning walkway lights, broken drinking fountains, deteriorated paver tiles and eroded sections of the seawall. This has resulted in complaints by the public, safety concerns, and a general decline in the public enjoyment of these facilities. Improvements will involve upgrades to the hardscape of the three parks, including the incorporation of more durable building techniques and specifications to reduce the likelihood of similar deterioration in the future. The Kaka'ako Waterfront Park includes about 30 acres of passive recreational park space built on a former landfill site. The six-acre Kaka'ako Makai Gateway Park is the scenic gateway to, and extension of, the Waterfront Park. The Kewalo Basin Park is a five-acre scenic shorefront park located next to Kewalo Basin.