

# KALAELOA STATUS REPORT

April 6, 2005

## 1. U.S. Economic Development Agency (EDA) Grant Implementation

Strategic Plan: Since receiving authorization to seek stakeholder and public input, staff has scheduled a Community Workshop for Wednesday, April 6 at Kapolei Middle School Cafeteria from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Staff has made presentations before the neighborhood boards in Ewa, Kapolei/Makakilo/Honokai Hale, and Waianae to encourage community participation in the planning process.

Additionally, a workshop was held for stakeholders and landowners in and around Kalaeloa to solicit input. An informational briefing was provided to area elected officials. A copy of the notes and attendees at these meetings is attached. A presentation for the Mayor was given on March 9 and staff will also be making a presentation to the Governor on April 4.

Master Planning: On March 7, per the recommendations of the RFP evaluation committee, the Executive Director selected the consulting team lead by Belt Collins Hawaii for award of the master planning contract. A site visit and kick-off meeting with Belt Collins will be held on April 4 and 5, respectively.

## 2. Legislative Matters

Staff continues to track two related bills regarding the establishment of a tax credit for the development of a motor sports complex in Kalaeloa. Testimony submitted thus far has deferred to the Department of Taxation and Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and has provided clarification on status of lands in Kalaeloa. Recent amendments to the bills have removed reference to Kalaeloa, thus opening up the areas where such a motor sports complex could be developed.

## 3. Marketing/Sale of Rental Housing

HCDA received a letter on March 29 from a firm representing a prospective buyer of the rental housing properties. Concerns and questions were raised in the letter regarding the applicability the existing City & County Zoning Variance and HCDA's rule-making process for Kalaeloa. Staff prepared a letter in response and is included for reference.

## 4. Ewa Transportation Coalition

At the request of Councilmember Todd Apo, staff made a presentation to the Ewa Transportation Coalition on March 31 regarding the status and future planning for the roads within Kalaeloa.

## 5. Fort Barrette Road Widening Project

Staff attended a meeting with the DOT-Highways and their consultant on March 29 to discuss the status of the road widening project and impacts to the intersection at Roosevelt Avenue. Staff was informed that the extension of the roadway improvements into Kalaeloa (as requested in December 2004) was beyond the scope of the project and that the improvements would terminate at the railroad crossing. DOT requested however, that HCDA allow for drainage from the road system to discharge into the coral pit in Kalaeloa at the intersection of Roosevelt Avenue and Enterprise Avenue. Staff indicated it needed to review the details of the request.

Attachments: Notes from the Stakeholders-Landowners Workshop – March 22, 2005  
Notes from the Elected Officials Informational Briefing – March 26, 2005  
Letter to Imanaka Kudo & Fujimoto – March 31, 2005