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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING KONA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN ACTION COMMITTEE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following matters to be considered by the Kona Action Committee in accordance with the provisions of Section 92-7, Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

DATE: Tuesday, September 12, 2023
TIME: 5:00 P.M.
LOCATION: West Hawai'i Civic Center
Planning Department Conference Room
74-5044 Ane Keohokālole Hwy., Building E 2nd Floor
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

2023 SEP -5 AM 10:22

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This meeting will be held by Interactive Conference Technology (ICT) through Zoom. The public may provide verbal testimony at the meeting by joining Zoom or attending in-person at the physical location listed above. To register for verbal testimony please contact staff at cdp@hawaiiicounty.gov or (808) 961-8288.

Zoom registration link:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdO-pqjMvG-yXGfy7Ep8oMbchR8R4vKY>

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kona CDP Action Committee Welcome New Members
- The Action Committee is seeking a volunteer Secretary to take meeting notes and collaborate with the Planning Department accordingly. Any interested parties should email cdp@hawaiiicounty.gov.

- General Plan Update

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: The public may provide verbal testimony at the meeting by joining the Zoom meeting or attending in-person. Please register to testify by contacting cdp@hawaiicounty.gov. Comments may be made either during the public comment portion of the agenda or just prior to the relevant business item. With discretion of the Chair of the CDP Action Committee, comments may be limited to three (3) minutes in length per agenda item. Written testimony may be submitted via email at cdp@hawaiicounty.gov or in person at the Hilo or Kona Planning Department, up to two (2) business days prior to this meeting (see the Notice Section below).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The Action Committee will consider the draft minutes for the Kona Action Committee Meeting on July 25, 2023.

BUSINESS:

1. **Chapter 5.3 Implementation Matrix:** Discussion to initiate a status update of the items within the matrix. Consider top priority community actions the AC may want to move forward and the potential creation of respective permitted interaction groups. The matrix can be found on pages 163 – 172 of the Kona CDP.
2. **Kealahou Regional Park:** Discussion and potential creation of a permitted interaction group to follow and support this project.
3. **Permitted Interaction Groups (PIG):** The existing groups will provide updates, reports, or discussion and may vote to close any PIGs as needed.
 - Community Outreach
 - i. Open nominations
 - Flood Mitigation and Erosion Control
 - Kona Open Space Network (KOSN)
 - i. Nomination of Nancy Pisciocchio
 - Public Access, Open Space, Natural Resources (PONC)
4. **Action Committee Meeting Strategy:** The Action Committee will discuss meeting cadence schedule, logistics, and format of future meetings such as if they should be all in-person or hybrid zoom/in-person.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING: Action Committee members will discuss potential agenda items for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

This agenda and all related documents are available in the Planning Department's Kona Community Development Plan Action Committee folder via the County of Hawai'i Public Documents Repository: <https://records.hawaiicounty.gov/WebLink/1/fol/9059/Row1.aspx>. These documents may also be requested from the Planning Department by calling (808) 961-8288 or emailing cdp@hawaiicounty.gov.

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NOTICE: The purpose of the public hearings is to afford all interested persons a reasonable opportunity to be heard on the above items. A person desiring to submit oral or written testimony shall indicate their name and whether the testimony is on their behalf or as a representative of an organization or individual. Written testimony can be submitted via email or hard copy. Hard copies should include an original and nine copies and be submitted no later than 4:30pm two days prior to the hearing date.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, contact the Planning Department at (808) 961-8288 as soon as possible, and no later than five (5) working days prior to the meeting date. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this notice may be made available in alternate/accessible formats.

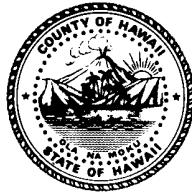
If you are a lobbyist, you must register with the Hawai'i County Clerk within five days of becoming a lobbyist. (Article 15, Section 2-91.3(b), Hawai'i County Code). A lobbyist means, "any individual engaged for pay or other consideration who spends more than five hours in any month or \$275 in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials." (Article 15, Section 2-91.3(a)(6), Hawai'i County Code). Registration forms and expenditure report documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk-Council, 25 Aupuni Street, Hilo, Hawai'i 96720.

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Tuesday, July 25, 2023 DRAFT Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Member Charles Young started the Kona Community Development Plan (KCDP) Action Committee (AC) meeting at 5:16 P.M. This meeting was held online via Zoom, and in-person at the West Hawai'i Civic Center Planning Department Conference Room. A quorum was not established until 6:12 P.M. which is when the meeting was officially called to order.

The YouTube video of this meeting can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YJqh9S8cIU>

ROLL CALL

AC Members Present: Shirley David, Kari Kimura, Janice Palma-Glennie, Charles Young and Roselyn Molina (arrived at 6:12 P.M.)

AC Members Absent-Excused: Shane Palacat-Nelsen, Marisa Bankston and David Huerta

County Staff: Planners – April Surprenant, Maryam Palma, Kim Tanaka and Courtney Vincent

County Officials: Deputy Corporation Counsel, Suzanna Tiapula

Members of the public: 14

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Planning staff provided a brief update regarding recruitment for the Kona CDP Action Committee

[SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 8:24]

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

This item was taken out of order and was addressed when quorum was established. Committee Member Shirley David moved to approve the May 16, 2023 minutes. Motion seconded by Committee Member Kari Kimura. Motion passed with 5 votes aye, 0 votes nay. [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:01:10]

25 **BUSINESS:**

26 1. **Permitted Interaction Groups (PIG):**

27 The existing PIGs presented their updates and discussion:

- 28 ○ Flood Mitigation and Erosion Control – Community member Sue Aronson presented an
29 update for this PIG [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 14:53]
- 30 ○ Kona Open Space Network (KOSN) – Committee members David, Kimura and Palma-
31 Glennie provided a report and updates from their last meeting [SEE YOUTUBE TIME
32 STAMP 23:58]
- 33 ○ Public Access, Open Space, Natural Resources (PONC): [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP
34 28:26]
- 35 ○ Community Outreach: [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 37:40]

36 2. **Action Committee Meeting Strategy:** [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:10:30]

37 **PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** [SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:20:10]

- 38 1. Explanation of the Ka Pa‘akai Analysis
- 39 2. Governor’s Emergency Proclamation relating to Housing
- 40 3. AC Attendance

41 **ADJOURNMENT:**

42 *Without objection, Committee Member Young adjourned the meeting at 6:38 P.M. [SEE YOUTUBE*
43 *TIME STAMP 1:24:33]*

44 These minutes and all related documents are available in the Planning Department’s Kona
45 Community Development Plan Action Committee folder via [the County of Hawai‘i Public](https://www.hawaii.gov/cdp/)
46 [Documents Repository](https://www.hawaii.gov/cdp/). These documents may also be requested from the Planning Department
47 by calling (808) 961-8288 or emailing cdp@hawaiicounty.gov.

KOSN Update Report

September 8, 2023

Report to Kona Community Development Plan Action Committee

From the Kona Open Space Network Subcommittee

Chair: Kari Kimura, Members: Shirley David, Janice Palma-Glennie, Mary Metcalf, Lele Kimball, Nancy Pisticchio

Kona Open Space Network Kickoff Event

August 29, 2023 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Maka'e County Pavilion at Old Kona Airport

Lead Consultant: Jacobs Engineering, Project Leader Kristen Nishimura

Lead Agency: County of Hawaii Planning Department, Project Leader Natasha Soriano

80 – 100 people attended the Kickoff Event

Press Release:

The County of Hawaii's Planning Department has officially kicked-off its project for the Kona Open Space Network (KOSN) Plan and has hired Jacobs Engineering Group as the lead consultant. The KOSN is a community-initiated goal of the Kona Community Development Plan to create public open space including connections between parks, neighborhoods, and historic sites, while retaining green areas for drainage/flood control, trees for shade and carbon absorption, and a system of on and off-road pedestrian and bicycle trails that encourage healthy active lifestyles.

A special mahalo goes to the Kona Community Development Plan Action Committee and its KOSN sub-committee for stewarding this project through the years. Since 2015 the sub-committee has outlined the visions and goals of this plan and helped to draft the scope of this project.

On August 29, 2023, the KOSN sub-committee and the Planning Department will host an open house at Maka'e County Pavilion at the Old Kona Airport from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The presentation will include a history of project, an outline of the scope, next steps, and examples of successful open space networks. We invite everyone to come and learn more about the project and how you can get involved in the planning process. A project website will be coming soon.

E kanu i ka huli 'oi hā' ule ka ua.

Plant the taro stalks while there is rain.

Do your work when opportunity affords.

Kickoff Event Program:

1. Welcome - KOSN sub-committee, Kari
2. Project history - KOSN sub-committee, Kari
3. Benefits of open space - Natasha/Kristen
4. Open Space Examples - Natasha/Kristen
5. Rough Project timeline - Natasha/Kristen
6. Introduction of website, how to get involved - Natasha/Kristen
7. Q&A - KOSN sub-committee to help proctor, Natasha and Kristen to answer questions

Brief history of the Kona Open Space Network

- 2005 - 2008: Kona CDP is developed with extensive community input and adopted by County. The Open Space Network is a key cornerstone of the Kona CDP.
- 2010 - 2013: AC members begin researching successful OSN programs, data and mapping needs, possible funding sources, Kona open space opportunities, etc. AC recommends County prioritize the KOSN in the County CIP Budget, which remains a top AC recommendation in the CIP Budget going forward.
- 2014 - 2017: AC requests Planning Department's support in moving forward the KOSN project. AC forms Subcommittee which includes public members and PD support. KOSN Subcommittee develops and submits its formal report to the AC. Report includes KOSN Vision and Goals with initial focus on Kona urban core and recommends hiring a consultant to solicit community input and develop the KOSN plan.
- 2018 - 2019: AC recommends allotment of funds in County CIP budget to hire a KOSN consultant. Funds are appropriated by County in 2018-2019 CIP budget. Planning conducts research and works with Subcommittee to develop a Scope of Work for hiring a contractor.
- 2020 - 2022: COVID 19 and high priority Planning projects pauses progress on hiring a KOSN consultant. Subcommittee meets with and obtains Mayor Roth's support for moving forward the KOSN project.
- 2023: Planning hires the consultant Jacobs Engineering Group to work with the Kona community and develop the KOSN plan.

Next Steps:

The Kona Open Space Network Subcommittee will support the Consultants and the Planning Department in execution of the Contract: Public Outreach, Methodology Development, Design, and an Implementation Plan.

The Kona Open Space Network Subcommittee will be part of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee to the Project.

All are encouraged to visit the temporary website: <https://rb.gy/362c4>