

1 KONA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
2 ACTION COMMITTEE  
3 COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

4 FINAL MINUTES  
5 April 16, 2024

6 **CALL TO ORDER**

7 Chair Charles Young called the Kona Community Development Plan (CDP) Action Committee  
8 (AC) meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. A quorum was established with five members in attendance.  
9 This meeting was held in person at the West Hawai'i Civic Center, B2 Conference Room and  
10 online via the Zoom platform.

11 The full YouTube video of this meeting can be found here:

12 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cRASE2REVtE&t=2s>

13 **ROLL CALL**

14 Members Present (in person): Charles Young (Chair), Nancy Pisicchio (Vice-Chair), John Pelletier,  
15 and Heather Korotie.

16 Members Present (via Zoom): Roselyn Molina

17 Members Absent: Gary Jaster, David Huerta, and Marisa Bankston.

18 County Staff Present (in person): Jessica Lahip and Kawelo Kalili.

19 County Staff Present (via Zoom): Maryam Palma and Janice Hata.

20 There were approximately 11 members of the public in attendance (6 in person and 5 via Zoom).

21 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

22 Vice-Chair Nancy Pisicchio motioned to approve the March 19, 2024 meeting minutes. The motion  
23 was seconded by Committee Member John Pelletier. The motion passed unanimously. [*SEE*  
24 *YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 5:20*]

25 **BUSINESS**

26 **1. Kealakehe Regional Park Update**

27 This item was called to order at 12:15 p.m. [*SEE YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 8:46*]

28 Committee Member John Pelletier provided an update on the Kealakehe Regional Park project.  
29 The Department of Parks and Recreation is in the process of drafting a Cultural Impact Study for

the park and will eventually write an Environmental Impact Statement. The Planning Department briefed the AC on recent communications with the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of Water Supply. At this time, neither department has information to provide to the AC, however, if there are any specific questions from the AC, Planning Department staff may assist with forwarding those inquiries to both Departments.

Rebecca Lucia testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 18:55*]

Keola Childs testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIMESTAMP 25:40*]

Chuck Flaherty testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 32:00*]

Janice Palma-Glennie testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 41:40*]

This item concluded at 12:46 p.m.

## **2. Overview of CDP Action Committee Purpose and Kona CDP Implementation Priorities for 2024**

This item was called to order at 12:51 p.m.

Planning Department Staff Maryam Palma provided a refresher presentation on CDP AC roles, Sunshine Law, and examples of possible Kona CDP priorities for 2024. [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 45:20*]

The AC discussed next steps to implement CDP policies with Planning Department staff. The AC requested updates from partner agencies on water and wastewater in order to better understand potential actions the committee can pursue during the upcoming year. [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:16*]

The AC discussed funding sources through federal and state grants. [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:47*]

Cheryl Tanguay testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:09*]

Maki Mornoue testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:43*]

Keola Childs testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 1:55*]

Lamakū Mikahala Roy testimony [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 2:02*]

This item concluded at 2:17 p.m.

## **3. Draft General Plan 2045 Timeline**

This item was called to order at 2:18 p.m.

Planning Department Staff provided an update on the Draft General Plan timeline. The Planning Department will release the Final Recommended Draft to the public by July 29, 2024. There will be another round of public engagement before the close of that public comment period. The Final Recommended Draft along with the last round of public comments will then be submitted to the Planning Commissions. Once the Planning Commissions receive the draft, they will have 150 days to offer their recommendations to the County Council. The AC may provide testimony before and after the draft is submitted to Planning Commission. The AC will also be able to provide testimony once the draft is forwarded to the County Council.

This item concluded at 2:24 p.m.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING** [*SEE YOUTUBE TIME STAMP 2:18*]

The AC discussed submitting a letter to Deputy Managing Director, Bobby Command requesting a wastewater update in Kona. The AC will continue to discuss the Kealahou Regional Park project.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS** [*SEE YOUTUBE STAMP 2:20*]

Vice-Chair Nancy Pisicchio provided an update on the Kona Open Space Network (KOSN).

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Committee Member Heather Korotie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member John Pelletier seconded the motion. An all-in-favor voice vote carried the motion unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

These minutes 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](#). These documents may also be requested from the Planning Department by calling (808) 961-8288 or emailing [cdp@hawaiiicounty.gov](mailto:cdp@hawaiiicounty.gov).