

Highlights of March 3, 2004 HCDA Meeting

Following is a summary of actions taken at the March 3, 2004 meeting of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).

Ahui, Ohe, and Olomehani Streets Infrastructure Improvements Project

HCDA members authorized the HCDA Executive Director to advertise for bids and award a contract for the Ahui, Ohe and Olomehani Streets Infrastructure Improvement Project. (The project would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds and approval by the Governor.) The proposed project would enhance the roadways and utilities on: Ahui Street (from Ilalo Street to the Point Panic parking lot), Ohe Street (from Ilalo Street to Olomehani Street), and Olomehani Street (from Ahui Street to the existing Ohe Street). These improvements will improve access to the Makai Area and support the development of the adjacent properties.

Under this project, new water, sewer and drainage systems will be installed and new driveways, sidewalks, curb and gutters will be constructed on the roadways. The existing overhead utility lines and poles will be converted to new underground systems and the roadways will be attractively landscaped. The project will also entail the realignment of Ohe Street, from Ilalo to Olomehani Streets, and the closure of Koula Street, between Ilalo and Olomehani Streets, creating a 7 ½-acre parcel that will facilitate the development of the Kaka'ako Waterfront as outlined in The Waterfront Concept Site Plan adopted by the HCDA in October 2002. Ahui and Olomehani Street will be widened as 50 foot wide roadways with eight foot wide sidewalks. Ohe Street will be 60 feet wide with eight-foot sidewalks and parking on both sides of the roadway.

The realignment of Ohe Street will create two remnant parcels that are planned to be used as parking lots to hold a total of about 90 stalls for additional park parking, bus parking, and public parking.

Construction on the Ahui, Ohe, and Olomehani Streets Infrastructure Improvement Project is anticipated to start in July 2004 and take approximately 18 months to complete.