

Meeting Notes
October 25, 2007

In Attendance: Tesha Malama (HCDA);
James Yamamoto and Hazel Andrews (RMTC)

Purpose: To coordinate the planned Kalaeloa alignment with HCDA's ongoing planning activities.

Kalaeloa Land Ownership:

HCDA has jurisdiction over all of Kalaeloa. HCDA has the responsibility to plan most of the land in Kalaeloa below Saratoga Avenue that has been turned over to the City or State end-users designated in the Kalaeloa Redevelopment Plan. The NAVY still controls the land between Roosevelt and Saratoga and some parcels below Saratoga that were not turned over to a City or State agency. These parcels are the "brokered lands" that may be turned over to housing management companies, Fluor Hawaii LLC, as payment for the Ford Island Development or to HCDA if the NAVY accepts HCDA's offer to purchase the land. If the land is turned over to Fluor, the land reverts to P-2 zoning. HCDA will control the re-zoning of the land to single-family or multi-family residential and will have some influence over the development of these lands.

Fixed Guideway Geometrics:

Horizontal Alignment

The transit alignment through Kalaeloa, based on Kalaeloa's current master plan, was presented to HCDA. Both the original Kalaeloa Redevelopment Plan and the current master plan prepared by HCDA do not follow the existing roads. The current Kalaeloa Master Plan showed a conceptual transit alignment intended to bring transit further into the downtown area and to show support for transit and transit oriented development within Kalaeloa. RMTC pointed out that it runs through some existing occupied buildings (used as Veterans Administration and Hawaii Housing Authority homeless shelters) and National Guard.

HCDA suggested that in refining the alignment, adjustments should be made to avoid the National Guard, the Pride Field ballpark along Roosevelt, and some occupied buildings located downtown. There are opportunities to adjust the alignment and HCDA will offer more feedback on which specific buildings should be avoided. This will not be the final alignment but will reflect the current thinking of HCDA. The purpose is to allow interim use of existing facilities, and facilitate phased redevelopment of the district.

Vertical Alignment

HCDA prefers aerial to at-grade vertical alignment to allow flexibility with development of adjacent parcels and roadway.

Kalaeloa EIS

HCDA is in the process of requesting funding for the update to the master plan and the preparation of the EIS to discuss the impacts of the proposed master plan. HCDA is initiating Kalaeloa Task Force meetings to review the current master plan while it awaits funding for the update and EIS.