

## Meeting Summary - Moloka`i CPAC Mtg. 9, June 18, 2015

---

**Attending:**     **Community Plan Advisory Committee**  
Steve Chaikin (Chair), Lance “Kip” Dunbar (Vice-Chair), Deldrine Kauinohea Manera  
Gregory Jenkins, Lori Buchanan, Edwin Mendija, John Sprinzel, Glenn Teves, Carl  
Adolpho, Dathan Bicoy, Robert Stephenson

**County of Maui – Planning Department**  
*David Yamashita, Long-Range Planning*  
*Mary Jorgensen, Long-Range Planning*  
*Pam Pogue, Long-Range Planning*

**Absent:**         Debra Kelly, Pi’ilani Augustiro

Call to order at 5:33 PM

The CPAC welcomed Carl Adolpho, who was appointed the CPAC. Carl spoke of how he would like to bring the hopes and dreams of Moloka’i’s residents into the plan.

### **REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DRAFT COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE**

Steve welcomed staff from the Parks Department: Director Kaala Buenconsejo, and Kaeo AhSau, and Peter Hale . Among the main points of the discussion were:

- A skatepark is the newest project that’s being discussed. Public support is not as strong as they expected however.
- There is a need for an island-wide parks plan.
- The shortage of sports programs for kids is due mainly to the shortage of volunteers who are willing to be coaches. Without that, it is very difficult to expand recreation programs.
- The community plan can express the needs, such as a new gym, and this provides direction for the Parks Department for budget requests.

A boat ramp on the east end was mentioned as needed for 50 to 60 families. Kaala said that the boat ramp was not a DLNR public facility, then it needs to be added to the plan to get facilities. If purchase of a site is needed then indicate it as a CIP acquisition. Kaala also added that they are currently doing an inventory of the parks and a maintenance schedule.

### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Steve opened testimony to the public.

Aunty Nona Fukuoka said the play equipment at One Alii Park needs to be covered because it gets too hot. Kids can’t get it on it.

Nancy McPherson mentioned the canoe hale at the park site in Kaunakakai. She spoke on behalf of Penny Martin and later submitted Penny’s written testimony as follows:

Malama Park is a complex situation. The place is very culturally significant. It should be under single ownership. The canoe clubs who use it are an asset – they provide stewardship, but need access to water and restrooms. I was cleaning and taking care of the restrooms for a while, but then there was damage and they were locked. We need the State and County to work together

with the community and licensees to make it a beautiful, usable place. The other islands have nice canoe hale – why not us too? Molokai Parks are neglected compared to Maui's. We need to restore the wetland there, replace invasive species with native plants. There also needs to be better management of the users.

Nancy suggested adding another action (9.1.07) that addressed the need for a partnership between DHHL/State of Hawaii and the county to develop the park. One of the issues is that there is insufficient room to store the canoes.

Rob asked whether the wetlands have been formally identified as wetlands and Nancy confirmed that the master plan for the area has delineated them as wetlands.

### 9.1 Parks & Recreation

- Page 9-3, Line 22, Issue 3: Add "Some" at beginning of sentence.
- Page 9-4 Add policy: Support the improvement for recreational vessel boat ramp launch infrastructure as needed by the community.
- Page 9-4, Add policy: Support improvements to Malama Park.
- Page 9-5, Add to policy 5, line 18: "where appropriate and with government agencies working with private landowners to address issues of liability.
- Page 9-5, Add policy: Support public-private partnerships to provide park access and facilities.
- Page 9-5, Add policy: Support and expand the State Na Ala Hele trail system, including a coastal trail system.
- Page 9-5, Add action: Provide shade for One Alii Park's playground area.
- Page 9-5 Add action: Based upon community need, consider a new boat ramps launch for recreational vessels to be located in East Moloka'i.
- Page 9-5 Add action: Consider repurposing the Kilohana Park for a potential site to relocate and build a new Puko'o Fire Station.
- Page 9-5 Add action: Support the land acquisition, planning, design and construction of a new Kaunakakai Gymnasium and Athletic Building that meets Moloka'i's unique sports needs and serves as a hardened civil defense community shelter for disasters.
- Page 9-5 Add action: Explore the acquisition and development of a management plan for a park facility at Kumimi Beach.
- Page 9-5, Add action: Explore state or county acquisition and development of park facilities at Kamalo and Dixie's

### 9.2 Police

- 
- Page 9-6, Add to issue 3: "...and domestic violence..."
- Page 9-6, Add Issue: The existing police station is presently located in a flood and tsunami inundation zone. The current police station location also necessitates emergency response through and in close proximity to congested areas such as elementary schools, areas of heavily used parks and recreational facilities, and Kaunakakai Town.
- Page 9-7, Add policy: Support the maintenance and development of Police facilities on Moloka'i that meet the Maui Police Department's and community's needs.
- Page 9-7, Add action: Acquire land and construct a new Moloka'i Police Station at a location that meets the needs of the Maui Police Department for Moloka'i; locate out of the flood and tsunami inundation zone, and promotes practical and safe emergency responses for the entire community.

- Page 9-7, Add policy: Encourage police involvement in the community.
- Page 9-7, Add policy: Encourage and support the recruitment of police officers through the junior police officer program.
- Page 9-7, Add action: Provide training for new police recruits.
- Page 9-7, Add policy: Encourage State hunter safety courses.

### 9.3 Fire and Public Safety

- Page 9-8, Line 4: ...The mission of the Maui County Department of and Public Safety, also known as the Maui Fire Department (MFD)
- Page 9-8, Line 8: ...The Department of Fire and Public Safety (MFD), is Maui County's
- Page 9-8, Line 14: ... Alanui Ka Imi Ike Street
- Page 9-8, Line 15: Kaunakakai, Kalamaula, and east to Kamalo. The Ho`olehua Fire Station covers Ho`olehua, Kaulapu'u, Kalae, Maunloa and Kaluakoi.
- Page 9-8, Line 16: ...at the east end of the Island and covers from Kamalo to Halawa Valley. The Puko'o Fire Station is currently a sub-station of Kaunakakai with only two personnel per shift, which is below national and Maui County standards for minimum fire company staffing.
- Page 9-8, Line 22: ...emergency services and flooding mauka of roadways.
- Page 9-9 Change wording to better reflect fire risk to entire Island: The southern and southwestern facing slopes of the entire Island of Moloka`i are at high risk for fire, especially in developed areas.
- Page 9-9 Add issue: Staffing at the Puko'o Fire Station is below national and Maui County minimum standards.
- Page 9-9 Add issue: The existing Puko'o Fire Station is presently located in a flood and tsunami inundation zone.
- Page 9-9, Policy 3: ...fire risk across the entire island.
- Page 9-9, Add new policy: Support the maintenance and development of fire facilities on Moloka`i that meet the Maui Fire Department's and community's needs.
- Page 9-9 Add new policy: Ensure that Maui Fire Department minimum staffing levels for Moloka`i meet the same national and Maui County minimum staffing levels as provided at the other fire stations in Maui County.
- Page 9-10, Add new action: Support the staffing upgrade for the Puko'o Fire Station to meet the same national and Maui County minimum staffing levels as provided at the other fire stations in Maui County.

### 9.4 Education

The CPAC discussed the need for more emphasis on vocational programs, such as carpentry. Edwin noted that the five career pathways do not all exist and that there are auto shop and music as after school programs. Training for job preparedness, such as how to dress at work or write a resume, were suggested. Also a program for career paths to explore what they can do once they get out of high school. A fine arts and cultural program was also suggested. For the Molokai campus there was support for the plan that has a vision of the campus for the future.

#### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY:**

Steve opened testimony to the public.

Carol noted that there was pre-school education in the Hawaiian language and education for the community. She was concerned about the language and noted that students are given bi-lingual credit for Hawaiian when they enter college.

The CPAC noted that the location for facilities needs to be addressed in the land use designations. There is a facility at the Ag Park that is a critical piece in the facility planning. Partnerships between school, teachers, and parents need to be supported, perhaps a policy for parents, caregivers, kapuna, to support workshops that encourage involvement in their children's school.

- Page 9-11, after line 18, add: no automotive programs or industrial arts. Lack of musical arts program. Agricultural program infrastructure underutilized.
- Page 9-11, after line 35, add: UH College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources Cooperative Extension Services (CES) is located in Ho'olehua. It also has a demonstration research farm in the Molokai Agricultural Park that shares facilities with UH Maui College Moloka'i Farm. CES programs focus on outreach and continuing education in agriculture, cooperative and leadership development, and DHHL farm development.
- Page 9-11, line 36, add: Kuha'o Business Development Center provides technical assistance and entrepreneurship.
- Page 9-12. Line 29-30, Delete Policy 4.
- Page 9-12, Add Policy: Support expansion of high school vocational programs and development of a fine arts and cultural program.

### **9.5 Health and Human Services**

The CPAC discussed possible locations for additional health centers, including in Puko'o Where the East End fire station is and exploring locations on the West End. They noted the value of the community system in its ability to meet community needs, including a dialysis center. They noted that there are lots of opportunities for care but that many Hawaiians do not show up. They questioned information in lines 14 and 15 and the accuracy of the source. Sites for future facilities need to be considered during the land use designations to have public/quasi-public or commercial. Obesity is a major concern and needs to be addressed, including beginning with child obesity.

Page 9-13: Staff to check lines 14-15 and cite for accuracy.

Page 9-14, Line 25, Revise: "Molokai ranks 23rd, out of..

Page 9-15, Issue 1: Add "...including long term care" at end.

Page 9-15, Issue 3: Add mental health... obesity.

Page 9-15, Add Policy: Support wellness and nutrition training.

Page 9-16, Add Action: Move 6.2.05 from housing section as it addresses long-term care facilities and other special housing needs.

### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY:**

Steve opened testimony to the public: No testimony was given.

### **9.6 Governance**

Page 9-17:

- Revise Issue 1: There is a lack of representation at all levels of government for Molokai.

- Revise Issue 2: Molokai residents are not aware of opportunities to directly participate in county government councils, commissions, committees and boards.
- Page 9-18, Revise policy 1, line 10: Expand awareness of opportunities...
- Page 9-18, Revise policy 2, line 13: ...participation in government...
- Page 9-18, Revise action 9.6.01: add “video-conferencing” after telecommunication and add “boards and commissions” before county council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM

APPROVED