

Community Meeting Notes

Date: March 27, 2023 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Location: Hanahau'oli School Pavilion

The meeting commenced shortly after 5:00 pm.

Hanahau'oli School President Greg Sato welcomed everyone and introduced himself and shared his connection to Hanahau'oli School.

Hanahau'oli School Head of School Lia Woo welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. She acknowledged familiar faces - people who have attended previous open houses and/or who have met with school leadership. She also welcomed new faces and expressed looking forward to getting to know them. Ms. Woo described the purpose of the meeting, which is to share information with the Makiki neighbors and answer questions.

Attendees introduced themselves, sharing their name, connection to Makiki and what they know about Hanahau'oli School.

Ms. Woo shared a short presentation that provided information about:

- The history of Hanahau'oli School
- Near-term priorities for 1911, 1921, 1931 Ke'eaumoku Street properties: To make them safe and secure.
- Near-term uses for each property
- DPP approval for: Joint Development Agreement, Minor Modification to Conditional Use Permit
- Improvements completed on each property
- Long-range plans: There are no long-range plans. Within the next couple of years, the goal is to engage in master campus planning. The school wants to follow an inclusive and thoughtful process, hearing from students, parents, faculty, staff, trustees, alumni and community members.

Ms. Woo transitioned into Question & Answer and offered responses based on current information.

Use of 1911 Ke'eaumoku Street Entrance/Exit

- The gate will remain closed during the day.
- There will be no drop off / pick up. Drop off at 1911 Ke'eaumoku Street will not be allowed. Parents know the current dropoff routine and are expected to continue following it. The priority is always safety first and Hanahau'oli parents are cooperative and follow routines.
- There will be no deliveries.
- A survey will be distributed in the future to solicit feedback from neighbors.

Parking

- DPP's Traffic Review branch reviewed and approved the school's traffic and parking plan for 1911 Ke'eaumoku Street, which includes adequate space for cars to turn around.

- The 12 employees parking in the lot will arrive at staggered times throughout the day and will use a code to enter.
- The grass will be used for overflow parking (33) for school events.
- School staff will manage traffic in and out of the 1911 Ke'eaumoku Street gate for large school events. For school events that involve a lot of cars coming and going - for example during the Children's Fair - the School will hire a police officer to manage the flow of traffic.
- There are 30 stalls in the parking lot, fronting Makiki Heights and Makiki Street.
- The School uses alternative parking sites such as Catholic Charities, Halau ku Mana and Roosevelt High School for event parking whenever possible.
- School events are posted on the School's website.
- The School reminds parents to follow parking rules in the neighborhood.
 - Per a neighbor's request, the School will inform Hanahau'oli parents that at the top of Ke'eaumoku Street (where the road narrows) homeowners own their own sidewalks and are responsible for upkeep and damage, which can happen when cars park on their property.

Traffic

The School does encourage carpooling, and helps to informally facilitate families who may live in the same area.

1911 Ke'eaumoku Street Stormwater Drainage

To address the issue of stormwater coming down the mountain and into the neighbor's property, a civil engineer designed a system that replenishes the aquifer and then drains excess water through underground pipes.

Student Enrollment

- Hanahau'oli School is a JK - 6th grade progressive school and will continue to be a JK - 6th Grade progressive school.
- Currently, there are 213 students, 25 faculty and 20 staff.
- Enrollment fluctuates year to year based on attrition. In any given year, Hanahau'oli may have 6-10 students leave the school.
- Hanahau'oli continues to evaluate class / group size to meet the developmental needs of children. For example, during the COVID-19 pandemic, class sizes were decreased to ensure safe, in-person learning for children. The smaller class sizes were effective for young children and not as effective for older children. Therefore, smaller class sizes will remain for young children.
- Next year (SY 2023-24), Hanahau'oli will welcome three Kindergarten students and three first grade students. In the following years, Hanahau'oli will welcome three new Kindergarten students.
- The anticipated enrollment will reach ~ 237 students in 2029. Note: This number does not take into consideration yearly attrition.
- The School's existing Conditional Use Permit approves the design capacity at 397 students.

Mock Orange Hedge

Hanahau'oli has its mock orange hedge professionally maintained on a regular basis. The School will investigate if the hedge extends too far into the sidewalk.

Noise

The open green space at 1911 Ke'eaumoku Street will not be used all day long; most likely it will be used before and after school, for recess times and PE class. The School welcomes feedback from neighbors about the noise and will consider adjustments.

Privacy

One neighbor posed questions about privacy and airflow as it relates to their property. The School responded that we would partner with them to find a workable solution.

1921 Ke'eaumoku Street

The initial thought is to use 1921 Ke'eaumoku Street for the Collaborative Studio, a hands-on learning space for students. However, the School continually reflects on its use of space.

Process

- The School is following DPP's lead. A public forum is not required for a Minor Modification. A public forum is required for a Major Modification and neighbors will be notified when the School is at this point.
- The School has no long-range plan at this time. In the next couple of years we hope to begin a master campus planning process. We want this process to be inclusive and intentional. We want to hear from: students, faculty, staff, trustees, parents, alumni, and community members.

General Makiki Community Concerns

- Condition of the sidewalk fronting the School on Nehoa Street
- Safety at the intersection of Makiki Street and Makiki Heights Drive. The School has been advocating for the installation of a crosswalk there (at the Stop sign).
- Traffic light duration at the intersection of Ke'eaumoku Street and Nehoa Street, specifically for Ke'eaumoku Street. Note: Reference was made to the *Complete Streets* Ke'eaumoku Street City initiative. For more information, visit [here](#).

Ms. Woo thanked attendees for coming and shared upcoming meeting dates and Tony Yee's contact information. The meeting formally closed at 6:30 pm.