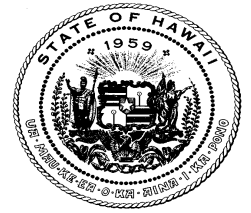




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TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS MEETING

Traffic congestion is one of the major concerns for our district. The solutions to this problem require a commitment that involves state and city officials to identify projects, programs, and policies that can achieve goals in mobility.

Please join Representative Rida Cabanilla and me for an informational briefing by one of Hawaii's leading transportation experts whose writings are a required reading in many American universities. On **Wednesday, September 6th at 7 p.m.**, Panos Prevedouros Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, will discuss various traffic solutions at **Asing Community Park, 91-1450 Renton Road.**



The Fort Weaver Road widening project is expected to be completed in 2008. Phase 2 begins the end of the year according to the Department of Transportation.

\$100 MILLION KROC CENTER

Hawaii is one of the first national applicants to be awarded a Kroc Center from Joan Kroc and her former husband Ray - founder of McDonald's.

Some of the features highlighted in the plans of the center could include: Gymnasium, Swimming Pools, Recreation Ball Fields, Challenge Course & Rock Climbing Tower, Indoor Skate Park, Fitness Area, Life Enhancement & Family Support Programs, Theater for the Performing Arts, Teaching/Mentoring Area and Computer Lab, and an Internet-Based Library.

Located just northwest of Ewa Villages, it could be open by 2010.



Presenters of the planned Kroc center with **Senator Espero**

GET READY, HERE EWA COMES!

Here are some of the movements that will enhance the Ewa community to help foster quality education.

KEONE'ULA ELEMENTARY AT OCEAN POINTE

This new elementary school in Ewa Beach opens in January 2007. An estimated 725 students are anticipated to enroll.



JAMES CAMPBELL HIGH SCHOOL



Last session, James Campbell High School was appropriated \$6.6 million for a new eight-classroom building to accommodate its growing student population.



ILIMA GETS A MAKEOVER

From reroofing to classroom renovations to repairing stairway walls, these are just some of the improvements recently completed to restore and improve Ilima Intermediate School.



ROOM FOR THE KEIKIS

To accommodate Ewa Beach Elementary School, a six-classroom building that includes two special education classes and five general classrooms, costing \$3,471,000 was built.



SOAR WITH SEAGULL

Offering high quality preschool and childcare programs at affordable rates, this Seagull School in Ewa Beach was partially funded by the Legislature.



TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS UPDATE

FORT WEAVER ROAD WIDENING – PHASE 2

The second phase will include the addition of two lanes, one in each direction, from the vicinity of A`awa Drive to Geiger Road. When completed, Fort Weaver Road will be a six-lane highway, three lanes in each direction.

Update:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has concurred in the award of the design-build contract, however the bid was higher than the Department of Transportation (DOT) estimate. DOT is seeking additional State funds for this project. It is expected that design/construction should start by the end of the year.

The widening project is scheduled to be completed in 2008.

NORTH/SOUTH ROAD

This project when completed will create 2.5 mile link from Kapolei Parkway to H-1 Freeway. It is located between Ewa Villages and Kapolei. The south point will intersect with Kapolei Parkway and the north point will connect to HI between the Kunia and Makakilo interchanges.

Update:

Phase 1A installation of drainage completed and construction of roadway in progress. Completion projected for April 2007. Bidding for Phases 1B and 1C will be going out shortly and selection to be completed by early 2007.

Four lanes should be completed by 2008 according to the Department of Transportation.

KAPOLEI PARKWAY PHASE 8A TO RENTON ROAD

Ewa Villages, extension of Kapolei Parkway, Phase 8A - Makai half of roadway section from the railroad tracks to Renton road.

Update:

Construction completed. The dedication and opening was held on August 28, 2006.

FORT WEAVER ROAD MANHOLE & PIPE REHABILITATION

To rehabilitate and reconstruct approximately 5,124 lineal feet of the existing deteriorated 18, 21, 24, 30-inch diameter sewer lines along Fort Weaver Road from Puamaeole to Geiger Road.

Update:

The contractor has been selected and the work will mainly take place in the shoulder of Fort Weaver Road in an existing sewer line easement. This project scheduled to be completed by November 2006.



Photo courtesy of Rich Gabriel

Col. Stickel, Dave Hamil Vice President of Development Alzheimer's Association, Richard Hargrave, Richard Hargrave, Jr, **Senator Espero** and Former Hawaii Wing Commander Stan Fernandez

THE BILLY MITCHELL AWARD

Sen. Espero attended the cadet awards ceremony to present the Billy Mitchell Award to two new cadet second lieutenants, Daniel Tortuga and Richard Hargrave, Jr. The award requires commitment, dedication, and effort to earn. Mitchell Cadets who choose to enlist in the United States Air Force are promoted to E-3 (Airman First Class) upon enlistment. Richard Hargrave Jr. is a resident of Ewa Beach.

BLESSING FOR HAWAII

This center is for patients suffering from kidney failure. It is serviced by Liberty Dialysis-Hawaii, a national renal services company that has taken over dialysis services at St. Francis Medical Center.



The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands future office and housing development are located between Kapolei and the future North-South Road. Ewa Villages is to the lower right.