

COUNTY OF KAUA'I  
Minutes of Meeting  
OPEN SESSION

Board/Commission:		<b>Kaua'i Historic Preservation Review Commission</b>	Meeting Date	<b>April 21, 2022</b>
Location	Mo'ikeha 2A/2B with remote access by Zoom Teleconference and Audio Connection		Start of Meeting: 1:31 p.m.	End of Meeting: 3:57 p.m.
Present	Chair Carolyn Larson. Vice Chair Stephen Long. Commissioners: James Guerber, Gerald Ida ( <i>attended by Zoom</i> ), Susan Remoaldo and Aubrey Summers ( <i>attended by Zoom</i> ). Deputy County Attorney Stephen Hall ( <i>attended by Zoom</i> ). Planning Department Staff: Deputy Director Jodi Higuchi Sayegusa, Planner Marisa Valenciano, and Commission Support Clerk Duke Nakamatsu. Office of Boards and Commissions: Administrator Ellen Ching ( <i>attended by Zoom</i> ) and Commission Support Clerk Sandra Muragin ( <i>attended by Zoom</i> ).			
Excused				
Absent				
SUBJECT	DISCUSSION			ACTION
<b>A. Call To Order</b>	Chair Larson called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.			
<b>B. Roll Call</b>	Deputy Director Jodi Higuchi Sayegusa verified attendance by roll call and requested a verbal response; Commissioner Guerber replied here. Commissioner Ida replied here. Commissioner Remoaldo replied here. Commissioner Summers replied here. Vice Chair Long replied here. Chair Larson replied here.			Quorum was established with six commissioners present.
<b>C. Approval of the Agenda</b>				Ms. Remoaldo moved to approve the April 21, 2022 agenda, as circulated. Mr. Guerber seconded the motion. Motion carried 6:0.
<b>D. Approval of the Minutes</b>	1. March 17, 2022			Ms. Remoaldo moved to approve the March 17, 2022 minutes. Mr. Guerber

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	<p>Mr. Guerber recalled at the last meeting the public commented on not being notified about important community meetings. He asked Planning Department to work on distributing and notifying the community in a timely manner. Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa replied they comply with Sunshine Law and post meeting agendas no later than six days prior to a meeting. She said individuals may requests notifications and a list is kept; however, those individuals were not on the list.</p> <p><i>Mr. Iida visually dropped out of the meeting at 1:35 p.m.</i>  <i>Mr. Iida returned visually back into the meeting at 1:35 p.m.</i></p> <p>Chair Larson asked to replace “rebuilt” with “rebuild” on page 10, number 6.            Chair Larson asked to replace “Add a materials section” to “Add a materials section in the glossary” on page 5, last bullet of Chair Larson’s comments.</p>	<p>seconded the motion.  <i>(motion amended below)</i></p> <p>Ms. Remoaldo moved to approve the amended March 17, 2022 minutes with a correction on page 10, “rebuilt” to “rebuild” and page 5 replace “Add a materials section” to “Add a materials section in the glossary”. Ms. Summers seconded the motion. Motion carried 6:0.</p>
<b>E. Communications</b>	Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa said there were none.	
<b>F. Public Comment</b>	Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa opened the floor for any in-person public to orally testify. Hearing none from the audience Planner Myles Hironaka said there were no callers and no public persons who joined in by zoom.	
<b>G. Consent Calendar</b>	Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa said there were none.	
<b>H. Unfinished Business</b>	Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa said there were none.	

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<p><b>I. New Business</b></p>	<p><b>I.1. State of Hawai'i Agribusiness Development Corporation (ADC)            Christian Crossing Bridge Repairs</b>            Tax Map Key: (4) 3-9-002:001 and (4) 3-9-002:031            Līhu'e, Hawai'i            HRS 6E-8 Review for improvements to an existing bridge.                a. Director's report pertaining to this matter.</p> <p>Planner Marisa Valenciano shared the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The commission's action for the project was to;               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Support the project without comments</li> <li>○ Provide comments in a response letter</li> <li>○ Defer comments until more information becomes available</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Read portions of the Director's Report dated April 21, 2022.</li> <li>• The Planning Department had no objections to the proposed project and recommended KHPRC provide comments related to the proposed improvements.</li> </ul> <p>Mike Hunneman of Kai Hawaii Structural &amp; Forensic Engineers attended in-person and introduced Jiabao Chen of Kai Hawaii and Ken Nakamoto of ADC who attended remotely by Zoom. A power point presentation was presented;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The one lane bridge allowed farmers to access their fields and deliver harvest.</li> <li>• Phase 1               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Emergency repairs would include;                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Repair upstream edge of bridge deck.</li> <li>▪ Demolish the upstream girder and partial deck slab.</li> <li>▪ Construct a new upstream girder and construct new partial deck slab.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Phase 2               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ South abutment repair, reinstall slab as originally constructed</li> <li>○ Northeast corner of bridge fill concrete beneath the footing</li> <li>○ Miscellaneous repairs to the stone revetment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<p>Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Ida stated he was not able to determine the location of the bridge from the documents he received and asked if they could display a map on the screen. Mr. Hunneman displayed a location map.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked how far of a distance from the gate. Mr. Hunneman replied about two miles.</li> <li>• Ms. Remoaldo asked how far from the falls. Mr. Hunneman didn't know.</li> <li>• Mr. Guerber asked if the bridge was past the gate. Mr. Hunneman replied yes.</li> <li>• Mr. Guerber asked if the road was not accessible by normal traffic. Mr. Hunneman replied yes. There was a State of Hawai'i no trespassing sign and the gate was kept locked.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked if the level of the river goes down to the point where the slab dries. Mr. Hunneman replied yes.</li> <li>• Mr. Ida said he had never heard of Christian Crossing Bridge and wondered how it got the name. Mr. Ken Nakamoto said the name was transferred from Līhu'e Plantation and did not have any information on how it got that name. This bridge has been identified as possible emergency access should the Mayor Baptiste bridge be impassible and would be the only access to north Kaua'i.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked if they would replace the damaged area of the bridge except for adding a steel plate. Mr. Hunneman said yes.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked if the steel plate would go across the entire span of the bridge. Mr. Hunneman replied yes.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Remoaldo commented that she wasn't comfortable approving phase 2 due to possible changes and the situation could change. She said they also didn't know the time frame between</p>	<p>Mr. Guerber moved to approve Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Christian Crossing Bridge Repairs, Tax Map Key: (4) 3-9-002:001 and (4) 3-9-002:031 Līhu'e, Hawai'i, HRS 6E-8 Review for improvements to an existing bridge. Mr. Long seconded the motion.</p>

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	<p>the two phases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vice Chair Long asked for a construction schedule for phase 1 and 2. Mr. Hunneman replied that phase 2 could take place 6-9 months based on permits and funding.</li> </ul>	<p>Roll call vote: 4-Ayes and 2-Nays (Remoaldo and Larson)          Motion passed 4:2</p>
	<p><b>I.2. County of Kaua'i Department of Public Works          Kōloa Bridge Rehabilitation Project</b>          Tax Map Key: (4) 2-8-006:025, (4) 2-8-006:999, (4) 2-8-007:016 and (4) 2-8-008:041          Kōloa, Hawai'i          HRS 6E-8 Review for improvements to an existing bridge.          a. Director's report pertaining to this matter.</p> <p>Planner Marisa Valenciano shared the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read portions of the Director's Report dated April 21, 2022.</li> <li>• The commission's action for the project was to;             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Support the project without comments</li> <li>○ Provide comments in a response letter</li> <li>○ Defer comments until more information becomes available</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Planning Department had no objections to the proposed project and recommended KHPRC provide comments related to the proposed improvements.</li> </ul> <p>Chief Engineer Michael Mole presented a power point presentation along with Joel Bautista and Aiden Smith;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The bridge would undergo spall repair for exposed rebar and repair cracking</li> <li>• Add guardrails to both sides of the bridge for safety</li> <li>• Road stripe to keep vehicles off the single girder</li> </ul> <p>Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Guerber asked if the girder would be replaced. Mr. Mole replied nothing was being replaced they would just be patched and repaired.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Remoaldo asked where the 10-foot buffer extended or was it only over the stream and does it also include the bank and parking area. Mr. Mole did not understand what 10-foot buffer she referred to.</li> </ul> <p>Sub consultant Nami Ohtomo replied the 10-foot buffer was just a foot access on the outside portions of the bridge.</p> <p>She said the nomination form included the dirt area and remnants in the stream and along the riverbank of the stream. She referenced the line of stoned and stone columns and said that it mentioned it may be paved. Mr. Mole responded the paving would not disturb the back stone area and they would include in the specifications the existing stones should not be disturbed. Ms. Ohtomo said the orange area was a rough estimate of the foot access.</p> <p>Mr. Mole displayed Figure 4, Old Kōloa Sugar Mill Boundaries, Contributing Features and Project Area map that was included in the National Register Nomination Form for the Old Kōloa Sugar Mill. Ms. Ohtomo said the map that marked the area around the bridge and identified significant areas. The stone columns that Ms. Remoaldo referenced was marked with “does not contribute to the landmark’s significance.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Guerber asked how tall the columns were. Ms. Remoaldo did not know.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked Ms. Remoaldo what her concerns were. Ms. Remoaldo <b>did not want the stone columns and fence rails disturbed and impacted by any repaving activities.</b></li> <li>• Chair Larson asked if they would repave the exact area that was currently paved. Mr. Mole replied yes.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa said to add any comments to the motion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair Larson expressed concern about the guardrails and its visual impact in a historic place and requested an alternative. Mr. Mole replied guardrails slow down vehicles and there was no alternative.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Summers suggested speed bumps to slow traffic. Mr. Mole responded that he would investigate her suggestion.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked about signage. Mr. Mole said there would be no permanent signs, but they would change the weight limit sign.</li> <li>• Chair Larson asked about the stanches. Mr. Mole said 8-flexible stanches to prevent encroachment. Chair Larson said its visually problematic and the stanches should be changed and asked for alternatives. Mr. Mole said they would investigate her suggestion.</li> </ul> <p>The Commission came up with the following comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avoid disturbing the riverbanks</li> <li>• Alternatives to guardrail</li> <li>• Alternatives to the stanches</li> <li>• Work with contractors to avoid historic area</li> </ul>	<p>Vice Chair Long motioned to accept and approve County of Kaua'i Department of Public Works, Kōloa Bridge Rehabilitation Project Tax Map Key: (4) 2-8-006:025, (4) 2-8-006:999, (4) 2-8-007:016 and (4) 2-8-008:041, Kōloa, Hawai'i HRS 6E-8 Review for improvements to an existing bridge with the following conditions that the rock columns and river rocks are not disturbed around the work site and Department of Public Works report back to Kauai Historic Preservation Review Commission with alternatives to the guardrails and stanches.</p>

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		Mr. Guerber seconded the motion. Motion carried 6:0.
	<p><b>I.3. SMK Inc. (ABC Stores)</b>  <b>Sueoka Market</b>  <b>Storefront Repairs</b>            Property Address: 5392 Kōloa Road            Tax Map Key: (4) 2-8-008:020; (4) 2-8-008:022; (4) 2-8-0087:023; (4) 2-8-008:024; (4) 2-8-008:025; (4) 2-8-008:026; (4) 2-8-008:027; (4) 2-8-008:028; (4) 2-8-008:029; (4) 2-8-008:034; (4) 2-8-008:035, Yamada Road and River Road            Kōloa, Hawai'i            Consideration of a Class I Zoning Permit to repair the storefront of an existing commercial building</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Director's report pertaining to this matter.</p> <p><i>Chair Larson called a recess at 2:56 p.m.</i>  <i>Chair Larson resumed the meeting at 3:02 p.m.</i></p> <p>Planner Marisa Valenciano shared the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read portions of the Director's Report dated April 21, 2022.</li> <li>• The commission's action for the project was to;               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Support the project as represented</li> <li>○ Recommend approval of the project should include conditions of approval</li> <li>○ Recommend denial of the permit(s)</li> <li>○ Recommend defer action on the permit(s)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Planning Department recommended KHPRC support the proposed repairs to the store front with the following conditions:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ensure architectural form, style and materials used was consistent with the U.S. Secretary of Interior Standards and Guidelines and did not detract or alter the historic integrity.</li> <li>○ Cognizant of HRS 6E-10 review process and contact SHPD and comply with any conditions or comments.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



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	<p style="text-align: center;">○ Submit a letter to the Department to confirm compliance with any EIS/EA requirement pursuant to HRS 34</p> <p>Grant Sumile Architect from ADM Architects and Robyn Pila presented a power point presentation;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Repair and restore the storefront to exactly as it was using same trim and moss rock base</li> </ul> <p>Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mr. Guerber asked if the posts were fixed. Mr. Sumile responded temporary posts were constructed.</li> <li>● Mr. Guerber asked if structural work would be required. Mr. Sumile responded that the structural engineering said the damaged posts were in between the windows and that would be replaced. They would not upgrade the structure at this time.</li> <li>● Ms. Remoaldo asked if any of the moss rock was salvaged and could it be used again. Mr. Sumile responded he wasn't sure but would inquire.</li> <li>● Chair Larson asked if the <b>transom</b> windows were original since some were fixed and some louvered. Mr. Sumile responded this repair would restore back to what it was before and wasn't sure if it was original.</li> <li>● Chair Larson asked if the kiosk would be replaced with an original window. Mr. Sumile responded it would in the next phase.</li> <li>● Chair Larson asked if they knew if the original transit windows were fixed or louvered. Ms. Valenciano referred to the packet and the transit windows were not mentioned in detail.</li> </ul> <p>Vice Chair Long asked that they research about transit windows and find out what was originally there. Mr. Sumile responded they would work to get a better understanding of the original transit windows. He said the next phase would restore the store front to its original state.</p>	<p>Mr. Guerber moved to approve the first phase of SMK Inc. (ABC Stores), Sueoka Market, Storefront Repairs, Property Address: 5392 Kōloa Road,</p>

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<b>J. Executive Session</b>	<p>Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa announced there would be no need to further discuss any of the agenda items in executive session.</p> <p>The Commission did not enter executive session and Chair Larson moved on to the next agenda item.</p>	
<b>K. Announcements</b>	<p>Ms. Higuchi Sayegusa announced the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No May meeting</li> <li>• Library of Congress had extra funding and came to Kaua'i to capture historic sites. They wanted to take photos for the archives of the Library of Congress. They captured 21 sites.</li> </ul>	
<b>L. Selection of Next Meeting Date and</b>	<p>Next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2022</p> <p>Chair Larson announced she would not be at the June meeting.</p>	

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<b>Agenda Topics (June 16, 2022)</b>		
<b>M. Adjournment</b>	With no further business to conduct, Chair Larson called for a motion to adjourn.	With no objections from the commission Chair Larson adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

Submitted by: Arleen L. Kuwamura Reviewed and Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Arleen Kuwamura, Commission Support Clerk Carolyn Larson, Chair

- ( ) Approved as circulated.
- (X) Approved with amendments. See minutes of July 21, 2022 meeting.