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Meeting Date: Apr 1, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

Support: 136

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 13

Name: Noah Schurhammer	Email: hammertime3030@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 26, 2024 @ 10:21 PM
Testimony: Hello, My name is Noah Schurhammer 95-1053 Pahaku St Mililani 96789. I strongly believe there should be a roof and lighting at the outdoor rink located at 10 acre park in Mililani. My 9 year old son Zeke has been playing since he was 4 years old. He recently broke his wrist due to rain on the playing surface I strongly believe that a roof and lights would immensely add to the community and sport overall. I strongly agree with building a roof and lighting as a tax payer of Honolulu county and Mililani. Thanks Noah Schurhammer		
Name: Katia schurhammer	Email: paradisepurses@hotmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 26, 2024 @ 10:42 PM
Testimony: Hello, My name is Katia Schurhammer 95-1053 Pahaku St Mililani 96789. I strongly believe there should be a roof and lighting at the outdoor rink located at 10 acre park in Mililani. My 9 year old son Zeke has been playing since he was 4 years old. He recently broke his wrist due to rain on the playing surface I strongly believe that a roof and lights would immensely add to the community and sport overall. I strongly agree with building a roof and lighting as a tax payer of Honolulu county and Mililani. Thanks Katia Schurhammer		
Name: Jason Cummings	Email: jkcummings38@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 27, 2024 @ 09:39 AM
Testimony: I'm submitting testimony is support for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for outdoor inline-skating facility Kaomaik Neighborhood Park. My name is Jason Cummings and I have playing inline hockey for the better part of 30 years. I was born and raised in and still reside in Mililani. I witnessed firsthand the explosion of inline hockey in the mid 1990's. When I was young, there was no rink to play at. The only place we had was the street or the basketball court. We were so grateful to see a rink built at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. We have recently seen another explosion in inline hockey as new kids and adults want to learn the game. Unlike other sports, only a small amount of rain can have a dramatic effect on the game. Small amounts of rain make the surface too slick for the wheels to "grip". Too many rainouts or cancellations has affected the skill growth of our players, as it is hard to get enough rink time to practice and improve skills. With the installation of a roof and lighting, not only could we provide more rink time to players but also we could expand the program into the evening. There is currently no permanent lighting at the rink. I ask the Honolulu city council to support the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for outdoor inline-skating facility Kaomaik Neighborhood Park. It will enhance inline hockey as it provides the community a way for kids and adults to learn sportsmanship, teamwork, community service and a sense of family. Thank you, Jason Cummings		
Name: Anne Sasso	Email: annesasso@gmail.com	Zip: 96706
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 27, 2024 @ 12:09 PM
Testimony: Aloha, I am submitting testimony in support for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for		

sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for outdoor inline-skating facility Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. Adding a roof to the facility would greatly improve the current impact rainouts have on practice and games. Considering the unique challenge of playing in skates, regular and proper maintenance of Hockey gear is important to its longevity. Water is detrimental to the lifespan and performance of hockey skates/parts, causing limited court availability when its wet, which in turn effects the player development.

Name: Scott Okamoto	Email: scottokamoto50@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 27, 2024 @ 01:21 PM

Testimony:
I would like to provide support for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect, and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaomaik Neighborhood Park. This rink is used by Hawaii Inline Hockey Inc. (or HIHI), which is a competitive inline hockey program. The program is led by experienced, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander coaches who regularly enter medal-winning youth and adult inline hockey teams in National tournaments (e.g., the North American Roller Hockey Championships or NARCh) . My high-school aged son was trained by HIHI coaches over the past decade, and now competes with the HIHI men's team in National tournaments. He, as well as other competitive HIHI players, currently cannot play on the Kaomaik hockey rink when it is raining, because it is uncovered. When the surface of the rink gets wet, it becomes slick and unsafe for playing roller hockey, particularly at a competitive level of play. Further, evening games and practices are challenging for the players because of insufficient lighting at the rink. The construction of a roof or covering and sufficient lighting will allow for scrimmages and practices to be safely played later in the day and in inclement weather. This is important, because the HIHI program is growing exponentially, and cancelled games and practices due to weather creates significant scheduling challenges to meet the needs of the inline hockey community.

Thank you for your consideration of this amendment.

Name: Angelina Yamaguchi	Email: Angelina.yamaguchi@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 27, 2024 @ 10:22 PM

Testimony:
I would like to submit testimony in support for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for a sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for outdoor inline-skating at Kaoma'aik Neighborhood Park in Mililani.

I am a wife and a mother of four children in Mililani. My husband and I met playing roller hockey in Mililani before the rink was built at Kaoma'aik Neighborhood Park. As a teen I traveled to other islands and the mainland to compete, Hawaii was never fully competitive at the time due to a lack of facility resources. Fast forward to today, 2024, all four of my children play roller hockey in Mililani and have opportunities to be more competitive thanks to having a designated outdoor facility. The improvement of a covering with lighting for the outdoor inline-skating facility increases the quality of play at the facility. A covering will protect the already worthy investment of the inline-skate facility for many more years to come and provide opportunities for my Keiki along with many other families to play without rain delays, rain cancellations or loss of skate time due to shorter daylight hours. In the past year the public facility has seen huge growth in participation from preschoolers to adults in the past year. The influx of participants creates scheduling difficulty that would dramatically improve with a covering and lights. Roller hockey and inline skating continues to be fun for the whole family multiple days a week. Please come and visit sometime.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration in continually creating safe public spaces for our Keiki and youth. Mahalo!

Name: Robin Pang	Email: iflyhnl@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 27, 2024 @ 10:41 PM

Testimony:
I am writing to advocate for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect, and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaoma`aiku Neighborhood Park. Hawaii is the perfect location for an outdoor inline hockey arena, and the sport is incredibly popular in our state, however the conditions of the rink also must allow for

year round opportunities for lessons, practices, games, and leagues to permit the sport to grow and truly thrive. Currently this rink is open to the elements, such as rain and direct sunlight, which can limit and often eliminate its use, creating various challenges while trying to play safely on skates. The playing environment would be greatly enhanced by providing a covered roof over the playing surface to protect that surface and shield the skaters from any inclement conditions. To truly maximize the hockey rinks full use and potential, lightening would need to be added thus allowing the games to continue beyond daylight in order to accommodate adult leagues in the evenings.

Inline roller hockey is fun; it's popular, it's exciting, and it engages people in physical activity. Kids learn sportsmanship, leadership, and teamwork by playing this sport, and adults can try a new activity, and get involved in a group game in their community.

Thank you for your time and consideration in helping to make these improvements to the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaoma`aiku Neighborhood Park a reality.

Name: Mitch Pang	Email: mitchellpang@hotmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 28, 2024 @ 02:45 PM

Testimony:

I'm in 100% support for providing a roof and lighting for the hockey rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. Providing a roof will definitely protect the players and the tiles (which will hopefully be purchased for the hockey rink) from the elements and harmful rays of the sun. It also rains a lot in Mililani and having a roof will allow this wonderful sport to continue rain or shine. Providing lighting will engage the community of all hours of the day by allowing games and practices past nightfall. I humbly ask for your support of our hockey community to provide for a roof and lighting of the hockey facility at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park.

Name: Jessica Lee	Email: kapuakela@hotmail.com	Zip: 96817
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 28, 2024 @ 08:10 PM

Testimony:

Aloha,

My name is Jessica Lee and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my child loves to play.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Jessica Lee

Honolulu

Name: Lindsey Albano	Email: Insatravels@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 28, 2024 @ 09:33 PM

Testimony:

I am testifying in support of funding to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline-skating facility located at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park in Mililani.

My son started learning to skate at this rink last year. He now loves both skating and playing hockey on a beginner team. As a family, we are grateful for this wonderful resource that provides fun, exercise, and camaraderie in our community.

The rink covering and lighting would be a welcome addition. Currently, we are at the whim of the weather; we are unable to use the rink on rainy days, which are common in Mililani, as well as after dark. The rink covering would also be really helpful for protecting our players from the hot Hawaii sun. Adding these features would greatly enhance the usability of the rink and enable

families to spend more time playing a sport that they love. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.		
Name: David Donaldson	Email: davidskd5@hotmail.com	Zip: 96706
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 29, 2024 @ 12:44 AM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is David Donaldson and I would encourage you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my child loves to play. Lights would allow for rink usage into the evening hours when it is cooler. A roof would provide a safer skating environment as water (ie rain) makes for an unsafe skating. Further the roof and lights could contribute to an opportunity for the hockey program that is run there to maintain and operate the rink with no additional city funding. Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration. Mahalo, David Donaldson Ewa Beach, HI		
Name: Noah Tramuto	Email: noahtramuto@gmail.com	Zip: 96782
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 29, 2024 @ 02:10 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Noah Tramuto and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my family and I love to play. Building a roof and lights at the outdoor rink would be a huge benefit, and our community would deeply appreciate it. With the roof, we would not have to worry about the weather impact nearly as much. Currently, we have unfortunately had to cancel several game days do to the rain. Even when we do not cancel, a slight drizzle causes the surface to become extremely slick and difficult to skate on. With a roof, we would be able to play even during the rain, ensuring our keiki and adults are able to play week after week. Additionally, the roof would provide shade for the rink and protection from the sun. On game days, our community is spending the entire day in the sun, and this can cause sunburns and heat stroke especially during the summer. With a roof, we would be protected from the sun and our players can play all day long without the risk of overheating. The roof would also protect the rink from UV radiation and deterioration caused by the sun. If we were to get a plastic tile surface, the roof would ensure the longevity of that surface. Having lights at the rink would also be an enormous upgrade. Currently, we have to stop hockey once the sun goes down and it gets dark. From late Fall to early Spring, that means practices during the week need to wrap up way earlier. This means that our hockey families get little practice time during the week, which is where they see the most improvement in their skills. With lights, we would be able to run more and later practices for our all of our age groups. Additionally, we would be able to play hockey in the evenings for those who cannot make it during the day. Lights and a roof would be such a blessing for our hockey rink, and I am sure our community will take it to heart. Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration. Me ke aloha, Noah Tramuto		

Pearl City, HI		
Name: Michelle Birdsall	Email: koolinagirl@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 29, 2024 @ 04:16 PM
Testimony: Aloha, I'm Michelle Birdsall and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. My two teens, husband, and I commute from Kapolei to all play hockey at this rink and we've become fixtures there. Unfortunately, with Mililani's inclement weather, practices and games have been cancelled for safety reasons because skating in wet weather can be unsafe. My children (13, 15) participate in hockey tournaments at least twice a year on the mainland. Teams from Hawaii Inline Hockey Incorporated (HIHI) have produced a number of medal winning teams. In order to prepare for these national tournaments, they need more practice time on the rink. Regretfully, practices have been canceled or ended early because of the weather. This often puts them at a disadvantage because we are at the mercy of the weather. Having consistent lighting will also allow hockey to be played in the evening. Youth, especially teens, need healthy options in the community and island where they can go to do something fun and structured. It will also allow the game to be played more safely with an appropriate amount of lighting to see the puck and other players. The lighting would allow for more hockey time to be played by so many. Thank you for your time and consideration. Michelle Birdsall Kapolei		
Name: Jaxon Pang	Email: doctordeke13@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 29, 2024 @ 06:49 PM
Testimony: I am writing in total support of the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect, and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaomaak Neighborhood Park. This addition to the rink would protect the surface and allow for this game to be played day and night, rain or shine. Roller hockey is a sport that is difficult in itself, but the unfortunate circumstances that occur due to mother nature make it dangerous to play, even if the scenario is minor. The development of this rink is crucial for all players, and can make it so that this sport can continue throughout all times of day no matter the weather.		
Name: John Chun	Email: jonchun98@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 05:45 AM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is John Chun and I am the Hockey Director of Hawaii Inline Hockey Inc (HIHI). We are a non-profit organization on Oahu that provides a safe, family friendly environment for people of all ages to learn the great game of roller hockey. I have played roller hockey my entire life here in Hawaii and I have had the pleasure of playing all over the USA including in professional level tournaments in California, Michigan and Texas. In addition, all three of my children currently play roller hockey at our beautiful local hockey court in Mililani located at Kaomaak Neighborhood Park. I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaak Neighborhood Park. A roof would be a game changer for our children. Right now, when it is sunny, the heat radiates off of the cement surface making it extremely hot. If its rainy, the kids either skate on the slippery surface or we cancel games and practices. During the rainy season, we are forced to cancel many practices and games leaving the children unable to play the sport they love. Having a roof as proposed, would allow our children to play roller hockey in a safe facility that would be the first of		

its kind in Hawaii.

Thank you for considering my perspective and opinion.

Much Love,

John Chun

Mililani

Name: Jaehyun Hwangbo	Email: rcsco2001@gmail.com	Zip: 96818
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 08:16 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

My name is Jaehyun Hwangbo and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my child loves to play.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Jaehyun Hwangbo

Honolulu

Name: Youngju Kim	Email: abyse80@gmail.com	Zip: 96818
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 08:17 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

My name is Youngju Kim and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my child loves to play.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Youngju Kim

Honolulu

Name: Mireu Hwangbo	Email: hwangbomireu@gmail.com	Zip: 96818
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 08:28 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

My name is Mireu Hwangbo, and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that I love to play. The construction of a roof and lights will help us practice much more because of the prevention of rainouts.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,
Mireu Hwangbo

Honolulu

Name: Vanessa Cabral	Email: voogs808@yahoo.com	Zip: 96817
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 11:58 AM

Testimony:
Aloha,

My name is Vanessa Cabral and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my son, granddaughter, and nephew loves to play.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Vanessa Cabral
807 Kunawai Lane
Honolulu, Hawaii. 96817

Name: Robert Moylan	Email: moylan@hawaii.rr.com	Zip: 96825
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 08:54 PM

Testimony:
Dear Committee on Budget Members,

I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park.

I am writing to address several critical points regarding the proposed enhancements to our outdoor hockey facility, as these factors have a profound impact on our hockey community's well-being and development.

Firstly, rainouts pose a significant challenge to our practice and game schedules, especially given the unique nature of playing on skates. These interruptions not only disrupt player momentum and skill progression but also lead to frustration among coaches, youth players, and parents. By installing a roof over the court, we can mitigate the detrimental effects of rainouts and ensure consistent access to the facility, thereby optimizing player development and fostering a more positive experience for all involved.

Secondly, the limited availability of the court severely hinders our ability to accommodate all youth/adult players and teams effectively. This scarcity not only impedes player development but also diminishes opportunities for recreational play and community engagement. Increasing court availability through the proposed enhancements will allow us to cater to a broader range of players, promote inclusivity, and strengthen the bond within our hockey community.

Thirdly, the safety benefits of plastic tiles cannot be overstated. Not only do these tiles provide a more forgiving surface for youth players, reducing the risk of injuries, but they also offer durability and weather resistance, ensuring year-round usability.

Additionally, the potential reduction in gear wear for parents and adult players, resulting in cost savings, further underscores the practical advantages of investing in this technology.

Moreover, the overall improvement in the playing environment, including enhanced lighting, will contribute significantly to the positive influence of the sport on our kids. A well-maintained and safe facility fosters a sense of pride and motivation among athletes, inspiring them to excel and embrace the values of teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship.

In conclusion, addressing these key issues through the proposed enhancements is not just about upgrading infrastructure; it is about investing in the holistic development and well-being of our hockey community. I urge the Committee on Budget to prioritize these crucial considerations and support the comprehensive improvement plan for our outdoor hockey facility at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Rob Moylan
374 Ainahou St.
Hawaii Kai
60 yrs. old

Name: Kailia Moylan	Email: mkailia09@gmail.com	Zip: 96825
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 30, 2024 @ 09:00 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Committee on Budget Members,

My name is Kailia Moylan and I have been a dedicated inline hockey player for 15 years. I play outdoor inline hockey for the physical and mental health benefits.

I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that I love to play.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Kailia Moylan
374 Ainahou Street
Hawaii Kai
20 yrs old

Name: Brian Lim	Email: brian.christopher.lim@gmail.com	Zip: 96814
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:57 AM

Testimony:

Aloha - My name is Brian Lim and I support Bill 013(24), RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025.

I support the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect, and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. Having a cover/roof structure and lighting would allow the hockey community to engage in sport at any time of the day without direct sunlight which could cause heat stroke and heat exhaustion. The lighting will allow the community to participate once the sun has set and the temperature has cooled significantly.

Hockey is more than a sport to me, as it is very much a community. The hockey community on Oahu is a close group of people and I look forward to playing hockey with this community every week!

Thank you so much!

Brian Lim

Name: Claudia Ferrari	Email: hawaii@claudiaferrari.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:02 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident on Sunset beach, North Shore of Oahu.

I am in **STRONG SUPPORT** of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because the surf is big and strong on this side of the islands and surfers and tourists alike need this first responders as quickly as possible when things happen and with the traffic nowadays many lives can be saved just by having the center closed by.

Mahalo,
Claudia Ferrari

Name: Kimberly Anguiano	Email: k.anguiano@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:03 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District

Name: Angela Wood	Email: Angelamwood96@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:03 AM

Testimony:

I am in **STRONG SUPPORT** of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Matt Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

I am a resident, living on Puula Road just two minutes away. We do not want a big development here, we need more support for our ocean safety folks who keep the community safe. Mahalo!

Name: Abbie Hogarty	Email: abbiehogarty@yahoo.com	Zip: 96826
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:04 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Barbara George	Email: barbarageorge40@yahoo.com	Zip: 96791
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:05 AM
Testimony: I STRONGLY SUPPORT Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. The North Shore needs a location from which first responders can quickly reach those in need, whether on water or land.		
Name: Katherine Rorer	Email: rorer1204@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:06 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Waialua I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because the best lifeguards in the world deserve proper facilities to continue to provide the highest quality skills in serving our residents and visitors alike. Please invest in a future we can be proud of. Mahalo, Katie		
Name: Alex Logsdon	Email: alexlogsdon20@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:08 AM
Testimony: I endorse the first responders having a new location to help protect our locals and guests on the North Shore.		
Name: Chelsea Rorer	Email: chelsearorer@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:15 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District		
Name: Paige Jordan	Email: paigejordanphoto@gmail.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:15 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Kailua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore.		

Mahalo, Paige		
Name: Mariah Meyer	Email: mariahmeyer99@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:29 AM
Testimony: Aloha I am a resident of Kapolei I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea). As an avid freediver and surfer we need these resources to keep us and our keiki safe Mahalo, Mariah		
Name: alexander lipshutz	Email: alexanderlipshutz@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:29 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Waialua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore to aid and support the ocean safety providers in this heavily trafficked area that sees many responder events. this infrastructure would bolster the essential efforts of lifeguards on the north shore. Mahalo, Alex Lipshutz		
Name: Cherish Muzik	Email: cherishmuzik@msn.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:39 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District		
Name: Katie Dion	Email: katiejacobsonart@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:41 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder		

Center - North Shore District		
Name: Nicole Nestel	Email: nicole@nicolenestel.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:03 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of (which area of Oahu). I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea). Mahalo, [Your Name]		
Name: Larry McElheny	Email: lkmcelheny@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:05 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Members I strongly support Councilmember Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center----North Shore District. Mahalo Larry McElheny		
Name: John thielst	Email: thielst@coffman.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:19 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of 37-year resident of the North Shore of Oahu. We need this very much! I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea). Mahalo, John Thielst		
Name: Sean Cervone	Email: ridenj716@aol.com	Zip: 96712
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:24 AM
Testimony: The safety of local residents and tourists deserves priority. Living here I have seen many water emergencies. The time it takes for people to get help is greatly putting the public's health at risk. We are known (by the mainland) to have a deadly outcome likely around here and can change that! With hospitals closing and lack of emergency care accessible on the NS those critical moments have a drastic effect on living vs dying. I cannot think of anything better to represent our amazing location on this island.		
Name: Brian Emmons	Email: brimohi@msn.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:29 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Sunset Beach. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore. I am a retired Fire Captain with most of my 30 years of service spent at the Waialua and Sunset Beach Fire Stations. A co-located EMS/ambulance service and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea would be perfectly placed between the Waialua and Kahuku EMS ambulance stations. Also, the present Lifeguard office in the North Shore is REALLY an embarrassment. Mahalo, Brian Emmons		
Name: Gary Gunder	Email: gary@tinroofranch.org	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:35 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Joan Himelblau	Email: northshoresHELLS@gmail.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:54 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a 20-year former resident of Haleiwa, currently living in Kailua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because of the additional safety and rescue operations that are mandatory for the winter surf season and contests. Additionally, it would be a location where classes and public education seminars could be held for both residents and visitors to improve the quality of life in North Shore and safety of tourists who are not aware of the dangers of the North Shore waters. Mahalo, Joan Himelblau northshoresHELLS@gmail.com		
Name: Joe Wilson	Email: qwavesjoe@yahoo.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:19 AM

Name: April Figueroa	Email: april.figueroa7@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:20 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. Ocean safety is needed first before markets that don't report income to Hawaii Their bottom line will never agree with Hawaii values and people first. Profit over people will never help the community long term		
Name: Julie Tilley	Email: julietilley8@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:21 AM
Testimony: I strongly support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Deann Sakuoka	Email: deannsakuoka@yahoo.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:34 AM
Testimony: I support the first responders station on the North Shore		
Name: Pamela Fujii	Email: kapiolehua@gmail.com	Zip: 96821-2401
Representing: Ewa Limu Project	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:43 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Maunaloa, Oahu. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. The North Shore Community desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office that would benefit kamaaina and well as our visitors. The nearest trauma center is at Queen's Hospital miles away. Time is not your friend when an accident occurs on the North Shore. The EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea is a benefit for all peoples of Hawaii nei. Mahalo, Pamela Fujii		
Name: Angela Maidment	Email: maidment3@icloud.com	Zip: 96822
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:59 AM
Testimony: I support the need for more resources		

Name: Erin Hagan	Email: erinhagan@hotmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:06 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Waialua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore. Mahalo, Erin		
Name: Jon Samaniego	Email: jonny5izalive@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:13 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Waialua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore. Mahalo, Jon samaniego		
Name: Heather Goodman	Email: hbgoodie@gmail.com	Zip: 85234
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:20 PM
Testimony: As a long time resident of the north shore, what makes this place special is the community and the fact that it's not overrun with shopping and tourists like it is on the south shore. North shore would completely lose its charm and what making people want to visit if this area was not used with the community in mind. A first responder center is so needed and overdue for this area. Serve our community first. Do the right thing and think of the future children growing up here.		
Name: Nella Chun	Email: kiyomijc@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:45 PM
Testimony: My name is nella and I think we should get a roof and lights for the hockey rink so we can practice longer.		
Name: Jon Samaniego	Email: jonny5izalive@gmail.com	Zip: 96791

Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:47 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Waialua. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore. Mahalo, Jon samaniego		
Name: Samantha Mislinski	Email: samanthamislinski@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:52 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of the North Shore of Oahu. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because not a single day goes by that I do not hear at least three ambulances. Our population is growing on the North Shore, and we need to update our infrastructure to match. To add to this, the North Shore is becoming more popular as a tourism destination, increasing the daily population. Many of the visitors do not know how to interact with the ocean in a safe way and end up getting into trouble. An Ocean Safety First Responder Center would benefit our community far more than a tourism destination mall. I'm worried that one day someone that I love or I will need help and first responders will not get there in time. An Ocean Safety First Responder Center would save lives of both residents and visitors. PLEASE listen to the community when we say that we DESPERATELY DO NOT WANT the largest mall on the North Shore that would be across from a Marine Life Conservation District, and we WANT AND DESPERATELY NEED an Ocean Safety First Responder Center. Please do the right thing for the community and support the Ocean Safety First Responder Center. Mahalo, Samantha Cole Mislinski		
Name: Kiyomi Chun	Email: kiyomijc@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:53 PM
Testimony: My name is Kiyomi Chun and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. I am a player, coach, ref, and hockey mom. My 3 kids all love the sport. There are a lot of people who want to skate and play hockey. My kids are very disappointed when we are not able to play because of rain which makes the rink unsafe to skate on. Also there is a very short time frame where kids and adults are able to		

skate because of work/school and then it gets too dark to play by 6:45pm.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Name: Cora Lee	Email: hirata_cora@yahoo.com	Zip: 96706
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:53 PM

Testimony:

Aloha City Council of Honolulu,

My name is Cora Lee. I am a parent and skater of the Mililani outdoor rink. I am in full support of Bill 13's amendments to build a roof and install lights for the outdoor hockey rink. I spend four days at the rink for mostly my son's hockey practice and games. I've seen the teams practice and play through the hardships of rain, hot sun, windy conditions, and short daylight hours. With a roof over the rink, conditions to play will greatly improve. It would help keep the facility cooler, dryer, and free of debris from neighboring trees. Lights would allow more playtime for all players and improve safety. Better facilities will attract both national and international players to play tournaments in Hawaii. I hope that you will consider these improvements for the community and the happiness of all users of the rink.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Cora Lee

Ewa Beach

Name: John & Rita Shockley	Email: shockleyjr@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Free Access Coalition	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 12:59 PM

Testimony:

Aloha!

The Free Access Coalition strongly SUPPORTS Bill 13(24) to build an Ocean Safety First Responder Center. Because the N. Shore can be very treacherous in the winter months for surfers, boaters, and other people who enter the water as well as the summer months when tourists enter the beaches, a Center like this is a life-saving necessity.

We are in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Mahalo for your time and hopefully your kokua!

John & Rita Shockley Coordinators: Free Access Coalition www.freeaccesscoalition.weebly.com

Name: Greg Boyd	Email: boydggb82@gmail.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:03 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Kailua.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea).

Mahalo,

Greg Boyd		
Name: Phaedra Robinson	Email: drphaedra@me.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:04 PM
Testimony: I support Council member Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Susan Cortes	Email: jblattau@gmail.com	Zip: 96711
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:04 PM
Testimony: I wholeheartedly support creating a First Responders Center across the street from Sharks Cove near Waimea Bay. This would really serve the community's needs and make responding to emergencies in our communities much more efficient. We have a hugely increased visitor population which means more rescues and more traffic to contend with. A locally based first responders center could serve our residents and visitors alike. Please support this bill.		
Name: Marvin Heskett	Email: mhesketts@me.com	Zip: 96816
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:08 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Palolo. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. Being an avid waterman, I feel we desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore. Last year my son lacerated his head while surfing at Waimea Bay. Luckily, through the help of the lifeguards at Waimea bay and a friend who was able to drive him quickly to the hospital, he made it to care on time. His story and several others I've heard from friends and colleagues repeatedly talk about how medical incidences on the north shore become closer to life and death due to the lack of regional ambulance services. We would all benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea. Mahalo, Marvin Heskett		
Name: Michael Lorne	Email: keiki69@aol.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:26 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Haleiwa. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Council member Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. During the past 40 + years that I have lived in my house near Sharks Cove, I have witnessed seven bodies in front of my house - just during the time I was home! Six of the bodies were from diving accidents and one body was from a swimming accident. I		

have also observed countless severe injuries to people that had been knocked down by waves onto the reef. Not a day goes by that I do not hear sirens from Life Guards, Firefighters and EMTs responding to beach related accidents nearby.

Sharks Cove is a central and ideal location to have a First Responder Center on the North Shore of Oahu.

Name: William Quinlan	Email: nimboy44@aol.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:41 PM

Testimony:

I am a resident of Haleiwa.

I am in **STRONG SUPPORT** of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We urgently need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore.

Lives will be saved by having ambulance service in our area.

Please support North Shore residents.

Name: Lindsay McGill	Email: lindsaymcgill@mac.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:50 PM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District

Name: Alicia Hill	Email: thehillshouse4@icloud.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:55 PM

Testimony:

I support Councilman Matt Weyer for the additional budget for the first responders station at Sharks Cove.

Name: Andrea Anixt	Email: andreapeatmoss6@gmail.com	Zip: 96730
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 01:56 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Committee members

I strongly support Bill 013 (24). More emergency services on the tourist heavy population on the North Shore/Ko'olauloa are critically needed by residents too, especially since even Wahiawa ER is temporarily closed and Kahuku Hospital is senior care mostly.

The location of a First Responder Center by Shark's Cove is ideal.

Many other reasons you probably have read already. However, Consider how little emergency help and training is on the whole windward side now on a single access road eroding into the sea. Our Isolation led HIEMA to warn us resiliency would require a month 's worth of food, water, medicine, etc., for our own needs. What will the millions of tourists do? About how many per day would be caught in a local tsunami from the Big Island for example? It is over half of all tourists that come to O'ahu per KFIVE a few years ago!

Pass this help for very close or at least closer services for saving lives (and safe storage too if can).

Mahalo for passing this Bill of you do.

Andrea

Name: Angelina Kua'ana	Email: angelinakuaana@gmail.com	Zip: 96786
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:01 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Wahiaw, Oahu. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore for countless reasons. Starting with the fact that this area is home to some of the most dangerous waters in the world. These lifeguards and EMS workers need facilities closer to where they are needed. As a regular visitor of the north shore, I know how crucial this is to the safety of our community and visitors. Mahalo, Angelina Kua'ana		
Name: Sharon Kim	Email: alohasharonkim@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:02 PM
Testimony: Aloha, I'm submitting testimony is support for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for outdoor inline-skating facility Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. Without a permanent structure, our roller hockey rink is exposed to the elements, making it inaccessible during inclement weather conditions and often limiting its use to certain times of the year. Additionally, the lack of shade and protection from the sun's harmful rays places players and spectators at risk of heat exhaustion or sunburn. These factors reduce the overall enjoyment and safety of the rink. My son overheats excessively and often burns out, especially on game days. His performance greatly differs when compared to his rink time when playing out of the sun. Considering these challenges, I strongly believe that the installation of a permanent structure on our roller hockey rink is necessary and would greatly contribute to the well-being of our community. A shelter would provide shade and protection from the weather, ensuring that the rink could be enjoyed year-round, rain or shine. In addition to weather-related benefits, a permanent structure would also allow for the installation of proper lighting, enabling nighttime usage of the rink. This extended access would provide opportunities for those who work or study during the day to enjoy the sport and pursue a healthy lifestyle. Moreover, the improved lighting would enhance safety measures by increasing visibility, reducing potential accidents, and creating a secure environment for everyone. I express my sincere gratitude for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to a positive response that will strengthen our community and its recreational facilities. Together, we can create a lasting legacy for our beloved city. With warm regards and appreciation, Sharon Kim		
Name: Klaus Van Der Leeden	Email: klausvanderleeden@msn.com	Zip: 96731
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:15 PM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of the North Shore of Oahu, Kuilima Estates West AOA, located in the Turtle Bay Resort area). I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these essential EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore, which would enhance the operational effectiveness of both services, through being co-located (EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office) at Sharks Cove/Ppkea). As a now retired lifeguard captain of the North Shore, District 3, C&C Hon., OSD (35 years of service), I can vouch that this endeavor will be money well spent, in the service of both Oahu residents and visitors to our beautiful beaches and attractions. It will lead to the fulfillment of a more than 20-year goal to have a well-situated District III Lifeguard Headquarters on the North Shore. These uniquely talented personnel are deserving of this long-awaited opportunity. Mahalo, Klaus B. Van Der Leeden, "Captain Bodo" (retired).		
Name: Caleb Senn	Email: calebpsenn@gmail.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:22 PM
Testimony: Aloha, I write today to show my support for Bill 13 and the installation of a roof and permanent light fixtures at the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction and installation of a roof over our rink would greatly enhance the comfort and safety of players and spectators alike on rainy days. A wet playing surface is dangerous for us as it increases our risk of slipping and falling onto the concrete floor while skating. As a result, we often have to delay or outright cancel practices and games for even small amounts of rain. Most players practice once per week and all league games take place on Saturdays, meaning that just two to three rainy days often wash out an entire week's worth of playing. This is highly impactful on the usability of our rink, especially for players like myself, a Kailua resident, who commutes a long way just for our activities to sometimes be cancelled at the last minute by a sudden shower. As for our lighting situation, we currently have to set up and break down eight light posts and about a dozen extension cords for each evening youth practice and open scrimmage, all of which is stored in the closet attached to the public restrooms. This process takes around half an hour to complete, and because the equipment is only set up temporarily and kept in the storage closet the rest of the time, only a few select individuals who have keys are able to facilitate its use. Permanent rink lighting would save us a great deal of time and effort each week, as well as make the rink more accessible to the general public in the evening hours. These two measures combined, a permanent roof and light fixtures, would allow us to maximize the usability of our rink even during times of poor weather and darkness, especially in the winter months and early spring when the sun sets early and we experience frequent rain. More rink usage means more time together as a community, more exercise, and most importantly, more fun. For these reasons I ask for your support of Bill 13. Thank you for your consideration on this matter, Caleb Senn		
Name: Wendy Tsue	Email: tsueeit@gamil.com	Zip: 96712
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:24 PM
Testimony: I support Matt weyet's \$500,000 proposal		
Name: Marilyn Cole	Email: marilyncole808@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:56 PM
Testimony: I am in full support for the much needed emergency response center across from Shark's cove and Matt Weyer's request for \$500,000 for this project.		
Name: Nicole MacDonald	Email: NJM4377@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 02:59 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Nicole MacDonald, and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. Inline hockey is an extremely valuable program for our families and the greater community. Hockey teaches our youth important values such as respect, teamwork, focus, dedication to something greater than themselves, and being coachable. It provides an opportunity for families from all over Hawaii to come together as friends and competitors. Hockey is great for improving health and physical fitness, as well as providing an opportunity for people to connect with others which can help their mental and emotional health. The outdoor hockey rink in Mililani is the only opportunity many families have to play inline hockey. Because the rink does not have a roof or permanent lighting installed, these opportunities are extremely limited. Coaches are often forced to cancel practices because playing inline hockey in the rain is dangerous. Game and practice times are also limited because it is difficult and unsafe to play in the dark. This limited opportunity hinders the growth and development of our young hockey players, depriving them of the ability to be competitive in the greater hockey community. Without the opportunity to grow and develop their skills, our youth could lose out on valuable hockey related opportunities in the future. This limited playing time also slows the growth of the hockey community within Hawaii. Your support of Bill 13 will be a huge benefit to our youth, and the hockey community here. Thank you very much for your time and consideration. Thank you, Nicole MacDonald Mililani, HI		
Name: Catherine Awakuni Colon	Email: ccolon@oedb.biz	Zip: 96813
Representing: Oahu Economic Development Board	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 03:22 PM
Name: Paenaa Baclayon	Email: pbaclayon8923@myhta.org	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 03:35 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Paenaa and I strongly encourage you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my sister loves to play. It's a great idea because it means kids, like my sister, can play hockey safely and for longer hours. Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration. Me ke aloha,		

Paenoa Baclayon		
Name: Ana Baclayon	Email: anabaclayon8@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 03:44 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Ana, and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink in Mililani at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. I am a youth hockey player for HIHI and have always loved playing roller hockey. I grew up playing inline hockey and enjoy the support and positive coaching they provide in the HIHI hockey leagues. Unfortunately, the Mililani outdoor rink is exposed to the sky above and does not have roofing to protect the flooring from the heavy rain that constantly feeds the green grass and trees surrounding it. Due to no covering, the rain would cancel our league practices, games, and fun scrimmages because the flooring would be too slippery to play. We would have to stay at home and wait for our next practice day, praying for the weather to be good enough to skate. The limited court availability also affects our player development because of our limited daylight time to play. The rink has about 9 to 10 lights that we put up by hand for the whole rink. The lights are all connected to one cord. That main cord is then attached and plugged into an outlet in a small gear shed. It takes many hands to put the lights up and take them back down. It's a lot of work, but again, we do it because we love and want to play hockey. The construction of a roof and lights for the rink would help immensely with our growth in hockey. The lights will make it way easier to see the rink at night and the roof will protect the flooring from the rain clouds that are constantly seen in the Mililani sky above. I know this will help all of us players grow, learn, and prepare to play in tournaments throughout the years to come. Thank you for considering my perspective and opinion. Mahalo, Ana Baclayon Kapolei		
Name: Bill Saunders	Email: BRainbow@aol.com	Zip: 96816
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 04:02 PM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget appropriation for the Ocean First Responders's center at Sharks Cove in Pupukea. Our hard-working, risk-taking first responders deserve a dedicated quality facility to help them do their important work. There are so many beach-goers and ocean users on the North Shore who rely on their skilled and courageous work. In addition, the community does not need more traffic from a tourist-oriented destination along this already crowded 2-lane highway. Please pass this appropriation and move this first responders' center forward for the sake of the local community.		
Name: Barbara Fisher	Email: bambufish@gmail.com	Zip: 96731
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 04:08 PM
Testimony: I support the budget appropriation for the first responder station at Sharks Cove North Shore Oahu. This is a necessary addition for the safety of both residents and visitors alike. It is in an ideal location for easier access to the beaches in both directions of often times dangerous conditions along the north shore as well as across the street where countless people dive, snorkel and observe huge waves from often times too close.		
Name:	Email:	Zip:

Steven Brown	northshorebrown@hotmail.com	96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 04:30 PM
Testimony: Our community needs this North Shore First Responder Center at Sharks Cove now, more than ever. With the increase in community population and the volumes of tourists that flow through the North Shore on a daily basis, our community is desperate for support services and community focused businesses. The last thing that we need is for another tourist only focused business to take any more valuable realstate in our community. We cannot lose this opportunity for a First Responder Center at Sharks Cove. Please help our community. Respectfully, Steven Brown Haleiwa home owner and resident		
Name: Caitlin Kaneshiro	Email: kthoopsstar7@yahoo.com	Zip: 96782-2403
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 04:36 PM
Testimony: We would love to be able to enhance this facility and make it into something even more incredible than it is!		
Name: Brandon Woods	Email: Bwoods808@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 04:39 PM
Testimony: Aloha! We have recently joined the Mililani Hockey league and wow we are blown away! The ohana vibe and community feel captures the essence of what we in Hawaii would love to perpetuate for our keiki to adult. I predict that this sport will rapidly grow within the next few years. Did you know that some of the coaches who are coaching our keiki were on the junior National team representing the United States and Hawaii in tournaments! Our family strongly supports and hopes that there is funding for the flooring and roofing with lights for the sport of street hockey in Mililani. With the rain the frequents the area and the delay that we have to endure during season really bums out everybody. This sport may be different than traditional Hawaii sports but that is why it is so special. From 3 years old to 70 years old people come to join in the sport of street hockey in the safety of the hockey rink. Setting aside funds to improve the rink will be beneficial for our community and perpetuate the sport. I hope you can come down one day and witness for yourself the community and Aloha vibe that surrounds the rink. From sun up to sun down everyone plays and supports each other in the exciting game of hockey. Imagine how far this sport could go with improved facilities and a roof with lights on day with poor weather. Thank you all! Aloha Brandon Woods		
Name: Angela Huntemer-Sidrane	Email: ahuntemer@aol.com	Zip: 96731
Representing: Ko'olau Waialua Alliance	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 05:02 PM
Testimony: Dear Budget Committee Members. I have lived on the North Shore for 25 years and I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. For years we have needed EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because I have seen how challenging it can be for emergency vehicles to respond effectively through sometimes gridlock traffic. Between ocean related accidents and traffic accidents our first responders are very busy up here and have a long way to go to get to a full-service		

hospital.

Please support this important budget item.

Thank you

Angela Huntemer

Kahuku

Name:

Jane Harper

Email:

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Zip:

96734

Representing:

Self

Position:

Support

Submitted:

Mar 31, 2024 @ 05:30 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Kailua.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea).

Mahalo,

Jane Harper

Name:

Kaylee Vendiola

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Zip:

96712

Representing:

Self

Position:

Support

Submitted:

Mar 31, 2024 @ 05:33 PM

Testimony:

Aloha, My name is Kaylee. I am from Lie but currently residing in Haleiwa. Growing up i would always see "Keep the country country" on the North shore on the drives to town, never really understanding what that truly meant until I got older and realized how important that quote truly is. I saw the North shore quickly become more and more of a tourist attraction. I have always been so eager to share the culture, land, and wisdom to others, but sometimes we need to put our communities first; the people that are behind tourism. I firmly believe the ocean safety first responders center is a vital resource to our community. The North Shore is a world wide spectacle that people from an all ends of the earth come to see. Although we do have some of the best lifeguards, they are not provided with enough resources to protect at the fullest potential. Especially with more and more coming to the islands. The ocean safety first responders center will ensure that not only the community is safe, but that others who visit are.

Name:

Constance Durant

Email:

cdurant808@gmail.com

Zip:

96791

Representing:

Self

Position:

Support

Submitted:

Mar 31, 2024 @ 05:38 PM

Testimony:

Hello,

I am a Hawaii resident residing on the North Shore, and I am strongly in favor of Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center. Our community is relatively remote, and, especially considering traffic which impedes emergency vehicle's response time, we are in desperate need of an emergency first responder center, centrally located at Shark's Cove, Pupukeya. Please, consider our families, our children and our elderly. Our lives could depend on your decision.

Thank you,

Constance Durant

Name: Catharine Griffin	Email: catharine.lo@me.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 05:57 PM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Krisha Watamura	Email: k.watamura@yahoo.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:06 PM
Name: Cristina Chun	Email: cristina.chun@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:07 PM
Testimony: Honorable Government Officials, I stand before you today to advocate for a cause that has ignited the passion and enthusiasm of our community like never before: the expansion of our outdoor hockey court to include a roofed facility. In just one year, our youth hockey league has experienced exponential growth, with a wave of new kids eagerly embracing the sport and all it has to offer. However, our current facilities pose a significant challenge to the safety and enjoyment of our young athletes. All too often, our practices and games are thwarted by inclement weather, leaving our children disappointed and our schedules in disarray. The unpredictability of rain makes it unsafe for children to play, and cancellations become all too frequent, hindering their development and dampening their spirits. By investing in a roofed facility for our outdoor hockey court, we can provide a safe and reliable space for our youth to thrive. Not only will it shield them from the elements, ensuring that rain will no longer dampen their enthusiasm, but it will also extend our playing hours, allowing us to accommodate the growing demand for the sport. I implore you to consider the profound impact that this investment will have on our community. With your support, we can create a welcoming and inclusive environment where every child has the opportunity to discover the joy of hockey and build lifelong friendships. Together, let us pave the way for a brighter future filled with countless moments of teamwork, determination, and pure, unbridled joy on the court. Thank you for your time and consideration.		
Name: Ryan Finch	Email: ryan.finch81@gmail.com	Zip: 96819
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:24 PM
Name: Denise Antolini	Email: antolinid@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:37 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Ppkea, Oahu. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for		

planning and design of the "Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District."

We *desperately need* these EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore.

Planning and design funding perfectly aligns with the *Mayor's initiative* to create such a co-located facility for EMS and Ocean Safety. Over one year ago, on March 15, 2023, HESD Director Dr. Jim Ireland and OSD Chief John Titchen made a presentation to the Sunset Beach Community Association to ask our community to support their initiative for a new co-located EMS-Lifeguard District Station center on the North Shore. As the SBCA minutes below indicate, the community strongly supported the City initiative, even if the location was still to be determined.

The need is urgent. Regarding EMS, the nearest ambulance to Sunset/Ppkea is either Kahuku or Waialua - at least 20-30 minutes away depending on traffic. And if those ambulances are called away, then the response time can be 60 minutes or more. Life hangs in the balance.

Regarding Ocean Safety, the current condition of the "Rock Piles" District 3 (Ka'ena to Kneohe) Ocean Safety Office is absolutely deplorable - and our world class North Shore Lifeguards deserve a new district base station that respects and supports their vital role in protecting this very large rural district, our residents, and visitors.

The community support for this proposed center is overwhelming. On December 13, 2023, the Mayor and all Councilmembers received hard copies of a citizens Petition asking the City to acquire the "Sharks Cove" parcels (next to Foodland) as the ideal location for the new North Shore First Responder Center. In just three weeks, over 5,618 people signed that Petition to you. Currently *over 7000 people* have responded in support of the North Shore First Responder Center.

We humbly ask you to support Councilmember Weyer's budget "add" even if the specific site location remains open - the acquisition and location efforts can continue while this budget for the initial planning phase is put into place.

This budget "add" is exactly what is needed now and what the community is urgently seeking from our City Council and Mayor.

Please keep this CIP request in the approved "add" list as the budget moves forward.

Mahalo,

Denise Antolini

Here are the Sunset Beach Community Association minutes from March 15, 2023:

SUNSET BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING

Minutes Wednesday, March 15, 2023

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Proposed EMS/Ocean Safety Station East of Sunset Beach Elementary School (Shayne Enright, Jim Ireland and John Titchen (Chief)). Honolulu Emergency Services/Ocean Safety. Jim Ireland provided a summary – North Shore ambulance and ocean safety response times would be reduced if they could develop a local station that could house an ambulance, 2 paramedics, and the ocean safety personnel. Several sites might accommodate this type of facility. They've identified on possible location the Kahuku side of Sunset Beach Elementary and they know of an additional two parcels Dept of Parks and Rec may have available. The planning is preliminary so they are requesting community feedback. Chief Titchen, Chief of Ocean Safety for the City agreed they are interested in establishing a sub-station. They operate as five districts. The NS district is in desperate need of a facility for a base of operations for the towers and the rescue jet skis because a station from which they would deploy Ocean Safety doesn't have any permanent facilities. They're breaking ground this summer on Kailua for a 1,400 sq ft facility that looks like a fire station with roll-up doors. Kauai County has several sub-stations for their ocean safety personnel and the Kauai station design is what they hope to be able to have on the North Shore.

Member comment: One of the places that was discussed for a hub in the past was the Shark's

Cove area adjacent to Foodland. They've talked about a police sub-station, and other community facilities which would be consistent with their plans so recommend you reach out to them to see if they would be interested.

Member question: How much would it cost, how much can you spend. Response: \$7 -\$10 million, via a City CIP project which is bond-funded. If there were a new ambulance that would be an additional \$400,000 and the regular department budget would be the funding source for the staff.

Member question: Could you give everyone an update on the condition of your temporary facility at Rock Piles. I've looked at your Kailua project and I'd like to know what the footprint size would be. Response: It would be likely to be 3,000 – 5,000 sq ft on each floor, vehicles down below and with the personnel on the second floor. Our NS district is housed out of a structure at Rock Piles where there's a leaky roof, they paint the building, but the internet is sometimes down. The staff try to keep that building running but what we're looking for is a building that enables them to do their job even better. We're very much modeling the ocean-safety facility on Kauai on Alla Point which is ocean safety storage and base of operations only. We're very interested in co-location with EMS from an ocean safety perspective because we work hand in hand with them every day.

Member comment: The Fire Department purchased land in Waialua and then they found they couldn't build what they planned on the parcel. If you can get land with larger acreage there's room for expansion. If you use a small parcel there wouldn't be room for expansion. One spot that might be good is next to Sunset Rec Center – 25 acres there. Land was given to the City on Waimea Bay on the Kahuku side – it might be too small but it would be good for that land to be used in the way the two women who donated it hoped for. Response: The Waimea Bay property isn't large enough for truck and trailer access.

Member comment: Worthy project and if there is flexibility, look toward parcels that are adjacent to urbanization as opposed to parcels that have never been developed. The lot next to the Elementary School is a good spot. I appreciate that you're looking at parcels and the Pupukea/Foodland area would entail either purchasing the parcel or developer's agreement.

Member comment: Hope the SBCA will do whatever they can to support this facility because it would be a total game-changer for the health and safety of the community.

Waialua Resident Comment: Where would the launch point be for the jet skis and what about transport time?

Member Question: Have the police expressed interest in being included? Response: They haven't but the community could express that interest and that could also be helpful.

Member Comment: Because much of the ambulance use is visitors, could tourist dollars help pay for this? When someone had a heart attack, they had to wait 45 minutes because the ambulance was working transporting tourists. Response: Each time there's an ambulance use, a bill is generated.

Member Comment: The Rec Center, which was costly to build, is so under-utilized. The police park there sometimes. We don't have to create a whole new thing because we have a building that's not used for much.

They'll send us their contact emails so we can provide additional thoughts if we'd like.

Name: Mitchell Furukawa	Email: mitchfu@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:46 PM
Testimony: Hello my name is Mitchell Furukawa. I play roller hockey and so do my four children. It is a fantastic, exciting sport and we love playing and having it in our community. Every time it rains the rink becomes slippery and dangerous to skate on. If it rains we have to delay the games or even cancel when rain persists. Please support bill 13 to install a roof and lights at the rink at Kaoma'aiku park. Thank you.		
Name: Miles Beck	Email: milesebeck@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:51 PM
Testimony: I am writing to express my strong support for Bill 13 and the proposed improvements to the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. These changes are vital for ensuring the long-term viability and accessibility of our community's current recreational infrastructure. Rainouts disrupt practice and game schedules, affecting player conditioning and team cohesion. By investing in sustainable covering for the hockey facility, we can minimize the impact of bad weather and provide a reliable playing surface year-round. Investing in sustainable infrastructure not only supports sport growth but also empowers young athletes to thrive both on and off the rink. Inline hockey teaches valuable life skills and fosters community among participants. I urge you to support Bill 13 and the proposed improvements to the outdoor inline hockey facility. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Miles Beck		
Name: Brian Birdsall	Email: brianbirdsall@yahoo.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:52 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Brian Birdsall and I support Bill 13 improvements to the rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood park in Mililani and humbly ask for you to do the same. The enhancements of a roof and lights would enhance safety and improve overall quality of play. Our family have been able to skate and play hockey together three to four days a week We love the community aspect and opportunities for kids and adult to participate in a health outdoor activity. At times we will need to end games or delay them because of rain or darkness. This limits the amount of people who are able to take advantage of the rink and skating times. Our children 15 and 13 years old participate in the youth hockey program and travel hockey tournament program at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood park rink .The youth hockey program offers and affordable team sport with opportunities to represent Hawaii in mainland tournaments. The roof and lights would improve the quality of the playing surface which will allow are youth to train on par with their mainland counterparts. The potential upgrades would support a wonderful organization doing great things in the community. It would also show your constituents that lawmakers support communities, safe places for kids to play, and healthy island living. Thank you for your time and attention, Brian Birdsall Kapolei, HI		
Name: Luann Casey	Email: luann@tinroofranch.org	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 06:55 PM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,		

I am a 30 year resident of Haleiwa and a retired nurse. Over the years it is evident that emergency service needs have increased dramatically on the North Shore of Oahu. Our First Responders & Ocean Safety Teams deal with life threatening situations on a daily basis. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore at Sharks Cove to improve the safety of both locals and tourists.

I am in **STRONG SUPPORT** of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Mahalo,
Luann Casey

Name: Jackie Beck	Email: Jackie.d.beck@icloud.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:00 PM

Testimony:
I'm reaching out to voice my strong support for Bill 13 and the proposed improvements to our outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. As a member of our community and a lover of hockey, I believe these changes are essential for creating a safer and more enjoyable environment for everyone.

When it rains, it really messes up our game schedule and practice routines. It's frustrating when we can't play because of the weather! But if we can get a roof, it'll help us keep playing no matter what the weather is like.

Having good covering and lights will not only make our playing area safer, but it'll also make it more fun for all of us. It's important that we have a nice place to play hockey where we can feel comfortable that would make us even more excited to be there.

Let's support Bill 13 and make sure this is the best it can be for everyone in our community.

Name: Ian MacDonald	Email: ism278509@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:05 PM

Testimony:
Hello,

My name is Ian MacDonald and I would like to encourage you to support the Bill 13 amendment to build a cover and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. This structure and lighting will make it safer for kids and adults in the community to practice and play as the skating surface is really slippery when wet. This improvement will also cut down the number of rainouts that impact the area.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Ian MacDonald
Mililani resident

Name: Valerie Horne	Email: horneshome51@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:19 PM

Testimony:
Aloha, my son grew up in the inline hockey community, I was part of the Board to help get the rink built and now my grandkids are skating. The inline hockey community builds and fosters skill, character and social development as well as individual and community Ohana. Please support Bill 013(24) that allows for roofing and lights. Being an outdoor rink, rainy days significantly impact the schedules of practice and games. It also becomes more dangerous should attempted continuation of practice or games be allowed due to lighter sprinkling. Lighting would allow for a longer day of play as well as enhanced safety on and around the rink. Thank you!

Name: Rita Wilcox	Email: ritajwilcox@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:33 PM

Name: Rex Dubiel Shanahan	Email: dubielsdesign@hotmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:46 PM

Testimony:

I fully support Councilman Matt Weyer's request for \$500,000 for a First Respondrr Center on the North Shore. There are many accidents in our neighborhood which warrant ambulance service. Because an ambulance is not in our community, there have been many deaths and drownings which could have been prevented. We host thousands of tourists everyday who take risks and are injured in the ocean and mountains. Please, hear our plea...a First Responder Center is critical to life and death on the North Shore for visitors and residents. Again, I wholeheartedly support Councilman Weyer's request for a First Responder Center with an ambulance on the North Shore at Shark's Cove.

Name: Karen Gallagher	Email: KarenGallagher222@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 07:47 PM

Testimony:

I am in strong support of the amendment our council member Matt Weyer is proposing regarding the addition of \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and designing a First Responder Center for our North Shore district. Having lived on the North Shore for 45 years I have witnessed a huge increase in the number of people visiting out here. Our infrastructure needs to adjust in order to keep everyone safe, and a First Responder Center with lifeguards, EMS, DLNR and HPD is the way to do that.

Mahalo nui loa,
Karen Gallagher

Name: Kevin Tang	Email: ktang8@hawaii.edu	Zip: 96744
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:00 PM

Testimony:

Aloha,

My name is Kevin Tang and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaik Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve not only the safety and quality of the sport of hockey, but can also provide a safe place for local community programming such as the Mililani YMCA when the rink isn't being used for hockey.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Kevin Tang

Kaneohe

Name: Carolyn Sandison	Email: cjs_98@hotmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:02 PM

Testimony:

I am a resident of Pupukea.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea).

Mahalo,
CarolynSandison

Name: Samantha Chun	Email: samster1031@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:08 PM

Testimony:

To whom it may concern,

I'm 16 and have been playing for around 10 years. Hockey is my passion and it's what connects me with people around this island. I've been on the same team and grown up with these people and it's always an amazing and welcoming community. A roof and lights would greatly help us be able to spend more time doing the sport we love and be able to practice more often. Roof and lights would also prevent rain and difficult weather from effecting playing conditions. It would improve our safety and make the place more enjoyable for everyone. Thank you

Name: Griffith Jones	Email: griffishllc@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:11 PM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Sunset Beach.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because now, with Wahiawa ER closed, a robust first responder unit would be a great deal more beneficial to our community than more retail stores that cause traffic, enrich only a few, and add to the horrible traffic issues we have on a daily basis.

Mahalo,

Griffith Jones

Name: kori Oros	Email: Koriharvey@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:20 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of (which area of Oahu).

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because as a resident living within eyesight of Waimea Bay, I have seen people get rescued over and over again, and one tragic evening witnessed a person sucked out by the current in big surf, and watch as he was pulled back to the beach. By the time an ambulance arrived, the swimmer had passed. That was a dark sunset.

For our kupuna, that need emergency assistance for heart attacks, minutes make all the difference. A friend had her auntie living with her, and then her auntie decided to get a place in town for a little while. She had a stroke ~ and was able to get to hospital in time. If she had living with my friend as she had been, she wouldn't have made it.

A Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea could service Laniakea, pipeline, sharks cove, 3 tables and provide the assistance that would help save lives.

Mahalo,
Kori Harvey Oros

Name: James Frisbie	Email: frisbiej001@hawai.rr.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:21 PM

Testimony:

I support Council member Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We need improved ambulance emergency services for the North Shore. Roads are crazy crowded during surf season and summer tourist crowds. This can and will save lives. Please support our community needs.

Thank you

Name: Edward LTC (Ret.) Shanahan	Email: edshanahan24@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:22 PM

Testimony:

I support Councilman Matt Weyer's request for funding a First Responder Center on the North Shore. There are numerous accidents here which require EMT ambulance service. Because there is no local ambulance service available there are far too many long delays, when time is critical, responding to accidents. Timely treatment will save lives and prevent unnecessary deaths. Thousands of tourists and locals visit to swim, surf, and hike on the North Shore and risk injury in the ocean or mountains.

Please approve funds for a First Responder Center with ambulance service on the North Shore at Shark's Cove.

Name: Rachel Haworth	Email: rachels.haworth@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:34 PM

Testimony:

My name is Rachel Haworth, my family lives in the Mililani community and is one of the many families that enjoy the Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. My 11 year old daughter plays hockey with an outstanding team at the park hockey rink. I urge you to consider the safety and quality of hockey rink and allocate the necessary funds to make the required changes to provide a safe

environment for our community. Although my daughter is heavily padded for practice and games, the installation of plastic tiles, a roof, and lighting will greatly increase the safety of this amazing sport. Not only will the safety of the park be improved but with a roof and lighting it would allow for continued sports through inclement weather and after sunset. Expanding the function of the rink would increase accessibility for more families and players of all ages. Mililani is a beautiful community that pulls people in with its schools, parks, and focus on families. Please continue to align the budget with the community and approve funding for these imperative rink improvements.

Thank you for supporting our community.

Rachel Haworth

Name: Crystal Dombrow	Email: crystal.dombrow@gmail.com	Zip: 96817
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 08:36 PM

Testimony:

I strongly support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Sarah Crockett	Email: sgcrockett17@gmail.com	Zip: 96826
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:28 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Honolulu.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea).

Mahalo,

Sarah

Name: Krista Vincent	Email: kris.vncnt@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:33 PM

Testimony:

My name is Krista Vincent and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the purchase of a roof and lighting system for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. This rink has been a great community asset and upgrades to the rink will greatly benefit the children and adults who come from all over the island, state, and country to play as family right here in Mililani. I have two young boys who have played hockey at the Mililani rink since it first reopened in the spring of last year. My children and I have been so blessed to be a part of the blossoming HiHi hockey community. We are so thankful for the social, physical, and emotional benefits of being able to use this outdoor skating rink in Mililani. It has been so healing for the community to use this facility to exercise and socialize following the reopening of the state after Covid-19. This facility is used daily by the families of our community and upgrades to it are long overdue. We should do everything possible to support the keiki and their families in their hard work and dedication to a facility that helps builds character, create community, and helps to spread the aloha spirit across the nation.

Thank you for your support.

Name: Matthew Tramuto	Email: koki@hawaii.rr.com	Zip: 96782
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:36 PM
Testimony: Aloha, My name is Matt Tramuto and I am testifying to ask for support for Bill 13 and the construction of a roof with lighting for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. Currently, the biggest drawback to safely utilizing the current hockey rink is rain. Unlike other sports where rain is merely a nuisance, rain on the concrete surface of the outdoor hockey rink makes the surface extremely slippery and unplayable. A roof would eliminate the rain on the rink surface and allow games to continue as scheduled. Additionally, adding lights to the roof would allow the expansion of the sport to those who normally would not be able to participate due to scheduling. Outdoor hockey is and has been a passion for both me and my 3 kids for over 15 years and it will continue to be for years to come. It provides a safe, healthy, and welcoming environment where my adult son and daughter, my high school daughter, and I can all enjoy healthy competition while perpetuating a healthy lifestyle (via exercise). The hockey community in Hawaii and on Oahu particularly are extremely welcoming and provide a safe and healthy environment for both youth and adults. Earmarking funds to provide a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink will reap benefits for years to come not only for locals in our community but also for teams from other islands and even the mainland and international communities. Many sports teams in Hawaii travel to the mainland to compete in tournaments, sending our hard earned dollars to the mainland, it is our turn to bring folks here, allow them to experience our Aloha at home and invest in our communities. Thank you for your time and considering my perspective and opinion. Me ke aloha, Matt Tramuto		
Name: Liliane Wilcox	Email: lilianejwilcox@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:49 PM
Name: Conner Birdsall	Email: connerbirdsall@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 09:54 PM
Testimony: Aloha My name is Conner Birdsall from Kapolei Hawaii and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. This addition would greatly improve the safety and quality of outdoor hockey in Hawaii. As a 15 year old who plays tournament level hockey, I enjoy playing at the Mililani outdoor hockey rink. A roof would also be a huge plus for all the players because countless times my practices or games have been canceled, delayed, or intensely harder to play due to rain. Lights will also be a bonus because we normally have to end practice at sunset because of the lack of lights. This is a big factor during the winter season when it gets dark sooner and rains more. Being able to play after sunset will allow hockey to be played even more. If the rink had these essentials it would allow us to play more competitively against mainland teams. I highly recommend you fit the construction of a roof and lights for this outdoor rink in the budget. Thank you for listening and Aloha (HIHI). Conner Birdsall Kapolei, HI		
Name: Sheila Tateishi	Email: preciousmaya@gmail.com	Zip: 96819
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:07 PM
Testimony:		

Hi, my name is Sheila Tateishi and I am a grandmother of an inline hockey player.

I am requesting funding in support of Bill 13 for the construction of a roof that would greatly help during periods of inclement weather which force the rink to close for safety of those playing. I have seen numerous children fall when the concrete gets wet from the rain. I drive from downtown Honolulu after work to take my grandson to practice and sometimes would arrive then have to turn around and head back home due to the wet rink and the safety of our keiki. As for lighting, it can be a safety hazard without adequate lighting. I have fallen without be able to see after tripping on things on the ground. With the addition of a roof and lighting, there would no longer be a problem if the weather came during scheduled practices or games and I feel would be a much safer environment for the players and families. I strongly believe that keeping our keiki active in sports will greatly benefit their health and wellbeing.

Your consideration will be greatly appreciated in supporting the funding for this project.

Much mahalo!

Name: Michael Cabral	Email: sumrsufr@yahoo.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:08 PM

Testimony:
Aloha,

My name is Michael Cabral and I am a father and grandfather of 2 hockey players in Hawaii. I have watched my son play and grow the sport of hockey in Hawaii and has continued to share his passion with all players young and old. Thanks to HiHi, I get to watch my granddaughter find her love for the sport.

Watching my son play since he was in 7th grade was some of the best times of my life. The understanding of teamwork and leadership that his coaches instilled back then not only worked for him as a player, but has helped groom him into the person he is today. He is a great role model for the kids and he loves watching them grow through the sport like I watched him do. Now it's my granddaughters turn and I just want the best for her that way she can perform her best in tournaments, instead of feeling like they could've done more.

Putting a roof and lights for the Mililani hockey rink will not only help all the players perform at their best, but will allow for more people to play hockey due to having more hours to play. As of now, we are limited by rain and how much sunlight is left at the end of the day. Practices are 530-sundown. At this rate HiHi can only have 1 team practice per day depending on weather.

We are an island with many talented children and dedicated families to help support what they love to do. Although roller hockey is a sport not normally talked about, through dedicated volunteer coaches, HiHi has been on the news multiple times for their success when playing in the mainland tourneys. With a roof and lights, HiHi will have the proper location grow the sport and have more hours to accommodate more people. At one point there were 2 leagues one in Mililani and onyle in Hawaii Kai with more that 200 players in each and I would love to see my granddaughter excel and perform at the highest level, which all starts with a proper facility.

I fully support and ask of you to help the hockey community with allocating funds to put a roof and lights over the hockey court in Mililani.

Thank you for your time,

Michael Cabral

Name: Maiya Birdsall	Email: maiyabirdsall@gmail.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:13 PM

Testimony:
Hello,

My name is Maiya Birdsall and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. I am 13 years old and I have been playing hockey at this rink for over a year. It would be

beneficial to the whole hockey community because it would give us more opportunities to play and get better at the sport. I felt disappointed when games and practices were canceled because of the rain. The ground was wet making it too slippery for us to skate. If we had a roof we would be able to play even if it was raining since that is a struggle of playing in an outdoor hockey rink. Also, if we were to have lights after sunset we could play hockey even when it is dark during the evening. If the rink received funding for the roof and lights we would take great care of it since everyone at the rink has a passion for the sport and wants any chance to play.

Thank you for reading this letter.

-Maiya Birdsall
Kapolei, HI

Name: Aaron Tominaga	Email: aarontominaga@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Hawaii In-Line Hockey Inc (HIHI Hockey)	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:14 PM

Name: Margaret Primacio	Email: stibbardm003@hawaii.rr.com	Zip: 96731-0092
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 10:37 PM

Testimony:

I'm a resident of Kahuku and strongly support Bill013(24) for a capital budget item of \$500,000 introduced by Council Member Matt Weyer for planning and design of an Ocean Safety First Responder Center, North Shore District. The necessary services of a new Ocean Safety office and locating an EMS/Ambulance at the Sharks Cove, Pupukea area will guarantee more lives can be saved of both residents and visitors alike.

Mahalo Committer Members for your consideration and support for this added protection for the North Shore community.

Margaret Primacio
Kahuku

Name: Matthew Brandt	Email: mbrandt07@yahoo.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Mar 31, 2024 @ 11:52 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of the North Shore of Oahu. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

With Kahuku Hospital a shell of its former self, and Wahiawa's ICU shut down, anything to upgrade our EMS/ambulance services within the area is a good thing.

I've seen it happen where more than 1 emergency happens at a time, and a family has to wait precious minutes for the next available ambulance to arrive.

Mahalo,

Matthew Brandt

Name: Dave Druz	Email: ddruz@aol.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 12:40 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Foeata Baclayon	Email: kf_baclayon@yahoo.com	Zip: 96707
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 12:52 AM

Testimony:
I am writing in full support of Bill 13 for the amendment to plan, design, construct, inspect, and provide equipment for sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaomaik Neighborhood Park.

There are many hockey players, including my teenage daughter who desire to play hockey beyond sunset. Currently, there are no outdoor lights constructed for this purpose. Lighting would be greatly appreciated as games could continue beyond sunset. Additionally, many players work and are only able to make it to the rink by the later evening hours. Having lights would accommodate all who wish to stake offering health and wellbeing as they engage in cardiovascular activity.

A covering to the rink would be wonderful! Players often get a last minute notice that games or practices are canceled. Sometimes I have driven part way to the rink (from Kapolei) when I get a message that practice is canceled due to rain. The coaches do their best to guess the weather but sometimes dark clouds come in last minute causing playings to stop playing or cancel altogether.

Mahalo for your time,
Foeata

Name: Richard Lantz	Email: ricklantz12@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 04:40 AM

Testimony:
I strongly support Council member Weyers budget request for \$500,000 to plan and design the Ocean Safety First Responders center -North Shore district. As a Sunset Beach resident and homeowner, our North Shore community has had inadequate infrastructure to support our safety needs. Please approve this request. Mahalo

Name: SharLyn Foo	Email: bpacker@maui.net	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 05:24 AM

Testimony:
Our community needs this

Name: James Frisbie	Email: frisbiej001@hawaii.rr.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 05:25 AM

Testimony:
I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center – North Shore District. There are many direct benefits to our local community that you can assist with your positive support. Lifeguards regularly save lives and a centrally located training center and office will help them in their critically important functions. We need better ambulance services for the North Shore. A permanent ambulance station at this location enhances local safety of residents and our tourist friends. Traffic crowding issues within the North Shore is well documented. A permanent ambulance location at this site will allow quicker response times to critical emergencies. Marine safety and enhancement is improved for workers dedicated to Green Turtle recovery, Monk Seal protections and enforcement of gill net regulations.

Please support our Community Plan for First Responders. Help save lives. Help improve Marine life protections.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Phil Mislinski	phil@pmimage.com	96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 06:15 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Amy Kaori Nardi	Email: amynardi@hawaii.edu	Zip: 96797
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 06:25 AM
Testimony: I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.		
Name: Pamela Dittrick	Email: misofoxy@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:10 AM
Testimony: Aloha, I am writing to voice strong support of #13 which will greatly improve the Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park skating rink. Bill 13 can benefit both players and their families/spectators by adding a roof and lighting which will increase practice and playing time. The roof will protect everyone from the heat and rain, and will allow games to be played in various weather conditions. Right now, practices and games are often canceled or rescheduled due to rain. Games that can be played in rainy weather are delayed in order to rid the rink of excess water for the safety of the players and referees. Currently, practice at the outdoor rink ends prematurely in fall and winter months due to darkness. Lighting will provide more safety and security for everyone participating, refereeing, and watching the practices and games. We have three grandchildren and friends who use the Mililani rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park , and we look forward to facility upgrades that will improve playing and practice conditions for everyone involved in this growing sport. Sincerely, Tim and Pam Dittrick		
Name: Alfred Chung Zheng	Email: alfredhmchung@yahoo.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:29 AM
Testimony: Hello we would like to support bill 12 for the tiling improvements for our outdoor hockey rink. I was fortunate enough to be able to grow up in mililani and I played at the rink as a young adult. I now have 3 children who have also started to play here and would like to see Oahus only outdoor hockey rink preserved and upgraded for our future generations.		
Name: Emily Hancock	Email: emilymichellehalls@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:30 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,		

I am a resident of Paumotu.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because we lack so many essential services on the North Shore for such an active and high traffic area. Having a first responder hub would change the lives of everyone living on the North Shore for the better.

Mahalo,

Emily Hancock

Name: Caleb Tilley	Email: caletilley3@hotmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:30 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Hunter Hancock	Email: hancockh96@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:32 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Paumotu.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because we lack so many essential services on the North Shore for such an active and high traffic area. Having a first responder hub would change the lives of everyone living on the North Shore for the better.

Mahalo,

Hunter Hancock

Name: Alexandra Galeos	Email: alexandragaleos@gmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 07:51 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District

Name: Kristen Skelton	Email: ktskelton@gmail.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:05 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

I'm submitting testimony in support of the amendment to provide a roof and lighting for outdoor inline-skating rink and bleachers at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park.

Our 3 children have been playing hockey in Mililani for 2 seasons now, and the sport is growing quickly, even being featured on KHON2 recently and attracting players from all over the island. With it's growing popularity and the increased interest in the sport, weather and daylight have become limiting factors in the use of the facility. Having a covering and lighting would serve to address these 2 limiting factors, and allow more players to enjoy the facility.

Lighting -- Currently, the amount of daylight significantly limits the available playing time, with the sun even starting to set before 6pm in the winter, not leaving a lot of time (especially on weekdays) for kids to practice. The nonprofit, HIHI, which runs the league at Mililani, prioritizes the sport for kids, so they give the playing time to them. If lights were installed, playing could continue throughout the evening for teens and adults, who also want a chance to play during the weekdays.

Roofing -- Currently play is subject to the weather because the surface is not safe to play on when wet. When it starts to drizzle, practice or games must be halted or canceled. After it rains, dozens of kids and parents come onto the rink with squeegees, and blowers, trying to dry it off quickly so that games can continue. This sometimes happens multiple times in one game day, causing hours of delay, or cancellation altogether. Unexpected weather also causes a hardship for many families come from the other side of the island and start their commute to central Oahu, often sitting through traffic, only to turnaround because rain has suddenly set in.

We are watching the sport rapidly growing and the facility is being used as efficiently as possible but is limited due to the weather and limited daylight hours. A permanent covering and lighting would serve the community well over many years to come, allowing even more people to enjoy this great outdoor activity together.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kristen Skelton
Mililani

Name: Jessica Horin	Email: jessie_horin@hotmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:13 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Sunset beach.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because these are world famous beaches visited by millions and enjoyed by us locals. Accidents happen and safety should be councils main priority. Current resources are stretched far too thin and are under resourced. The work our first responders do, especially on this stretch of beaches is unparalleled, they need more support and better resources to keep our community and visitors safe.

Mahalo,
Jessica Horin

Name: Racquel Achiu	Email: rhachiu@gmail.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:15 AM

Testimony:

Aloha committee chair, Cordero, vice chair wire and committee members Mahalo for opportunity this morning to testify I am

Racquel Achiu of the North Shore in full support of CM Weyers proposed amendment to add funds to the budget to support the planning and design of the First Responder Center that would include operating soace for Ocean Safety. In the North Shore. The need for this facility increases dramatically as each day passes. Without any type of central operating location and now the lack of hospital services the North Shore community is in CRITICAL need of a facility that our responders are able to support our community & stabilize/secure an emergency situation. Working out of trucks and make shift condemned houses just isn't appropriate or safe. Without a central operating base it is difficult to conduct any kind of order or effective operation to service our community. It's even more difficult for our community to navigate where to go & who to see for matters that arise. This is not just in the interest of the public but for our responders safety and efficiency as well. Mahalo

Name:
Richard Pezzulo

Email:
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Zip:
96789

Representing:
Hiipaka LLC

Position:
Support

Submitted:
Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:37 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name:
Rachel Morgan

Email:
racheljmorgan6@gmail.com

Zip:
96744

Representing:
Self

Position:
Support

Submitted:
Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:37 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members,

I am a resident of Kne' ohe.

I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea).

Mahalo,

Rachel Morgan

Name:
Nico Vargas

Email:
nicovargas722@gmail.com

Zip:
96791

Representing:
Self

Position:
Support

Submitted:
Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:43 AM

Testimony:

As a father and having first hand experience with the lack of emergency services available on the north shore, especially during heavy traffic, a first responder center is a HUGE asset to the isolated north shore community.

Especially given the amount of tourists that are not educated on ocean safety that often need help and our lifeguards are being spread too thin.

Name:
Erin Delventhal

Email:
edelventhal@gmail.com

Zip:
96712

Representing:
Self

Position:
Support

Submitted:
Apr 1, 2024 @ 08:44 AM

Testimony:

Dear fellow members of our esteemed community,

I am writing to express my unwavering support for Councilmember Matt Weyer's proposal to allocate \$500,000 towards the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. This initiative represents a crucial investment in the safety and well-being of the North Shore (NS) community, particularly in light of the proposed development of Shark's Cove.

Councilmember Weyer's foresight in prioritizing the establishment of an Ocean Safety First Responder Center is commendable. This center will serve as a vital resource for the NS community, ensuring that residents and visitors alike can enjoy the natural beauty of Shark's Cove while being assured of prompt and effective emergency response services.

Furthermore, the allocation of funds towards the planning and design phase underscores a commitment to responsible development. By proactively addressing safety concerns and incorporating them into the planning process, we can ensure that any future development in the Shark's Cove area is undertaken with due consideration for public safety and well-being.

In addition to enhancing emergency response capabilities, the establishment of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center will also bolster the NS community's resilience in the face of natural disasters and other emergencies. As a rural community with limited infrastructure, it is imperative that we have the necessary resources in place to respond effectively to unforeseen events. This center will serve as a hub for coordination and collaboration among first responders, enabling them to better protect and serve our community in times of need.

Moreover, investing in ocean safety infrastructure aligns with NS's collective commitment to preserving the natural beauty and ecological integrity of Shark's Cove. By prioritizing safety and emergency preparedness, the risks associated with increased visitation and development can be mitigated, ensuring that our precious marine ecosystems remain protected for generations to come.

In conclusion, I urge the Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members to support Councilmember Matt Weyer's budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. This initiative represents a proactive and forward-thinking approach to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community, while also safeguarding the natural treasures of Shark's Cove.

Sincerely,

Erin Delventhal

Name: Jeffrey Baucom	Email: jeffbaucom@gmail.com	Zip: 96706
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:00 AM

Testimony:

I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Chip and Mari artman	Email: seachip@yahoo.com	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:04 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

As residents /property owners in the Sunset Beach area, we **STRONGLY SUPPORT** the budget request for the Ocean SafetyFirst Responder Center - North Shore District and encourage you to do the same.

Mahalo Chip and Mari Hartman

Name: ANN MISURA	Email: MISURA@HAWAII.RR.COM	Zip: 96712
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:08 AM

Testimony:
I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Charlotte Cabral	Email: cfcabral@hotmail.com	Zip: 96734
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:16 AM

Testimony:
Dear Representatives,

I am writing to express my full support for allocating a budget towards building a green hockey facility. As an avid spectator of the sport, I understand the critical role that a quality playing facility plays in the development and enjoyment of hockey.

Our current location have served the kids well, but over time, wear and tear have become evident on their equipment, leading to high cost of replacements. This not only affects the performance of players but also increases the risk of injuries due to hard uneven surfaces. Also, the playing time is limited to rain delays and for spectators, it can be daunting sitting in the hot sun on metal bleachers.

Investing in a new green cover will not only enhance the overall experience for the players and spectators but also demonstrate our commitment to maintaining a top-tier facility. With improved playing surfaces, we can expect increased participation, heightened performance levels, and a greater sense of pride in the community led hockey program.

Furthermore, the new facility will ensure the safety of our players, coaches, and spectators, aligning with HiHi's core values of promoting a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone involved.

I urge you to consider this budget allocation as a worthwhile investment in the future success and sustainability of the hockey program. The benefits of improved facility far outweigh the initial cost, and I am confident that this decision will yield positive returns for years to come.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to seeing the hockey facility thrive with the addition of an overhead green cover.

Sincerely,
Charlotte aka Gramzy
(Great Grandma)

Name: Patrick Hartnett	Email: prhartnett@aol.com	Zip: 96789
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:18 AM

Testimony:
I support funding improvements to the inline hockey facility in Mililani. This is the only hockey rink in central Oahu.

Name: Scott Garlough	Email: sgarlough@kkv.net	Zip: 96819
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:25 AM

Testimony:
I support Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District.

Name: Mary Jo Buell	Email: alohamjb@hotmail.com	Zip: 96712
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:

Self	Support	Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:27 AM
Testimony: Aloha, as a resident of the North Shore for 50 years I have seen a need for increased services . Surf and swimming accidents are two reasons for increased and quicker services. My husband and I are in our 70's now and will need a more prompt service in the years to come. It is disheartening to know that the ambulance is 20 minutes away when you or your neighbor need it now. Other offices which would serve the community and tourists in need like doctors, dentists etc. would be great. A couple of shops or eating establishments would be good too as we have very few. I would like a balance of community and tourism accommodations with community emergency needs a first priority. Please fund Bill 013 . Thank You, Mary Jo Buell		
Name: Lisa Cooper	Email: cooperinc808@yahoo.com	Zip: 96791
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:36 AM
Testimony: Aloha Council Budget Chair Cordero, Vice Chair Weyer, and Committee Members, I am a resident of Mokuliea. I am in STRONG SUPPORT of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. We desperately need these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore because (add how you and your 'ohana would benefit from co-located EMS/ambulance services and a new Lifeguard District office located at Sharks Cove/Ppkea). Mahalo, Lisa Cooper		
Name: Ellie Jones	Email: elliesophiejones27@gmail.com	Zip: 96822
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Apr 1, 2024 @ 09:46 AM
Testimony: My name is Ellie, I am a resident of Oahu, and I STRONGLY SUPPORT Councilmember Matt Weyer's \$500,000 budget request for the planning and design of the Ocean Safety First Responder Center - North Shore District. I am a long-time volunteer and previous marine science coordinator for Mlama Ppkea-Waimea, the nonprofit that cares for the Ppkea Marine Life Conservation District across the street from the proposed ocean safety first responder center. As Ppkea and the Kapoo tide pools are some of the most heavily visited marine areas on the island, it is important that we have direct access for first responders to this area. I also strongly oppose the alternative plans for a shopping center instead of a first responder center. This would drive more traffic to the already too-crowded area, cause more runoff to bring pollution into the Kapoo tide pools, and threaten the health of the marine life there and the integrity of the Ppkea community. I STRONGLY SUPPORT a ocean first responder center, since it will provide a place for ocean safety professionals to be able to respond more quickly to the needs of people using the marine space in Ppkea. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.		

**Honolulu City Council
Committee on Budget**
April 1, 2024

Aloha Committee Members,

I am a resident of the Kaunala (Velzyland) neighborhood of North Shore O'ahu and District 2, and I write in **STRONG SUPPORT** of the amendment proposed by Councilmember Weyer to add \$500,000 to the capital budget for planning and design of the North Shore Ocean Safety First Responder Center.

As a region whose infrastructure has been overburdened and neglected for far too long, improvements in these EMS/ambulance services and new Lifeguard District Office on the North Shore are desperately needed for local residents and visitors alike.

We hope we can count on our City Council to make these critical investments now.

Thank you for your consideration,



**Testimony of Catherine P. Awakuni Colón
O'ahu Economic Development Board
Before the Honolulu City Council
Monday, April 1, 2024
10:00 AM**

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

On Bill 13, EXECUTIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FY 2025.

Aloha Chair Waters and Members of the City Council:

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, President and CEO of the O'ahu Economic Development Board, and I am testifying in **support** of Mayor's Office's FY 25 budget. In particular, I write to offer support for the budget put forward by the Office of Economic Revitalization (OER), which leads O'ahu's economic revitalization efforts by providing opportunities for job seekers, small business owners, farmers, innovators, community-based organizations, and anyone else who is improving the quality of life on O'ahu.

The O'ahu Economic Development Board (OEDB) is a Hawaii-based nonprofit that envisions a thriving economy focused on the well-being and prosperity of everyone who calls Hawai'i home, now and into the future. OEDB serves as a convenor that advances the growth, retention, and creation of local businesses and jobs to support the health of the people and economy of Hawai'i.

Since OER's inception, OEDB has regularly partnered with the OER on important projects to ensure the economic vitality of O'ahu. Most significantly, OEDB worked with OER and other community members to develop the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the island of O'ahu. The CEDS is intended for use by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, State of Hawaii Office of Planning Sustainable Development, OER, Economic Development Alliance of Hawaii, OEDB, and diverse Oahu public, private, civil society, and community stakeholders.

The most important part of any plan is implementation. In its work to carry out the community's vision contained in the CEDS, OEDB and OER intend to again partner to support the eight sectors identified in the 2022 CEDS "sail plan" to ensure that the current generation and those to come will thrive. As the largest economy, the City and County of Honolulu has a key role in the State of Hawai'i's economic future direction. Accordingly, it is imperative that the City's OER be fully funded to implement the CEDS as the community has so strongly and clearly recommended.

I respectfully request that you approve Bill 13 and the budget offered by OER. Thank you for the opportunity to support Bill 13.

Aloha,

My name is Krisha Watamura and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aikū Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that my family loves to play. All of my children participate in outdoor roller hockey, and both myself and my husband play and volunteer for HIHI. It's been an integral part of our daily lives for almost a year now. We have come to love this sport and organization so much.

The outdoor rink at Kaoma'aikū Neighborhood Park is just that, an outdoor facility that is at the mercy of mother nature. Everything that we do that pertains to hockey is limited whether or not we have playable conditions. The up-side is that we live in Hawaii and sunshine is always in abundance, but being that the park is located higher up in Mililani (closer to Mauka) rain is constantly threatening the area. Anytime that it rains at the rink, we have to immediately stop practice and/or games. Conditions become extremely unsafe when the concrete pad gets wet, and it becomes extremely slippery on the painted portions of the pad. It's never fun to have to tell the kids that practice is yet again cancelled due to rain - this past season alone brought about cancellations every other week. The organization, Hawaii In-Line Hockey (aka HIHI) utilizes the rink almost every day with practices for the keiki, and a full day of games on Saturdays - we literally have to rely on the weather to be compliant every day, otherwise we don't get to play. If the rink had a permanent roof and lights, families that travel to Mililani for practices and games wouldn't have to worry if their time and gas would be wasted on a cancellation.

Having a covering above the rink would make it so that practices and games can resume even with less than favorable conditions, such as rain. It would also provide much needed relief from the UV & sunshine on the days without rain. The UV/sun plus the tons of gear the players have to wear makes it easy for players to overheat and become exhausted. A roof would provide shelter, shade and a safe space for this hockey community, which not only serves Mililani but families from across Oahu as well.

Mahalo for your time and taking my perspective and opinions into consideration.

Thank you,

The Watamura Family

Aloha,

My name is Ryan W. Finch and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaik Neighborhood Park. I play there myself in the league as well as my two sons aged 17 and 14. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve the safety and quality of the sport of hockey that we love to play. The weather has been the cause of many disappointing cancellations. A roof would also keep us cool from the sun as many players are there for many hours a day.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Ryan W. Finch

Aiea

Aloha,

My name is Rita Wilcox and the following are my reasons to strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park.

For the past year, my children and I have been playing hockey at the hockey rink in the Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park. We absolutely love it. We drive from Makakilo to the rink for practices and games. The construction of a roof would help during periods of inclement weather which force the rink to close for safety of those playing. The rink becomes slippery when wet and becomes like ice when skating on inline skates. As we do travel from Makakilo, it is a bit of a hassle to arrive and then inclement weather forces practice or games to end, sometimes before even getting underway. There are many families who make a concerted effort to make practices and games who drive from remote parts of the island, only to waste the time and gas because of the weather forcing a cancellation. With the addition of a roof and lighting, there would no longer be a problem if the weather came during scheduled practices or games. Also, if tile were to be installed at this rink, the roof would be a benefit to the added protection of the tiles from the damage caused by the sun and other natural elements.

With the addition of the lighting, those who are inconvenienced by work hours, could participate in games that could be scheduled for after sunset and youth practices. Those with love of the game would make the concerted effort to participate if given the opportunity afforded by the addition of lighting with the roofing. Not only would the sport grow, but the opportunities for more youth and adults to indulge in their love for this sport would grow here on Oahu and the state of Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration of my perspective and opinion on Bill 13 and the funding for the construction of a roof and lighting for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aiku Neighborhood Park.

Me ke aloha,

Rita Wilcox

Kapolei

Aloha,

My name is Liliane Wilcox and I strongly urge you to support Bill 13 and the construction of a roof and lights for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaomaaikū Neighborhood Park. The construction of a roof and lights would greatly improve all aspects of playing hockey, from longer playing time, to not having to deal with weather issues, and just the overall safety of the players.

Longer playing time. With a roof over our heads and lights installed, our community would be able to play our sport for longer and at any time we wanted too. We have games on Saturdays and start as early as 8:30 AM, a normal time for people to be up and active, especially right when the sun is up with us. We end our round of hockey games for the day around 7-ish PM depending on if we have any delay from weather or emergencies. With a roof and lights we could play for longer and be able to spread out our schedule more efficiently, with more play time on the court and not having to worry about weather messing up and delaying our schedule. A roof and lights would also allow both our practices and games to go past when the sun has said goodnight allowing players to play for as long as they want. The roofs would also help to keep out our natural surroundings like leaves and dust that makes our rink slippery and unsafe to play on as well as dirty.

Having a roof would also pair with the idea of installing tiles, Bill 12. A roof would protect the tiles from our natural surroundings such as the rain/small drizzle that we face every week, trees blowing leaves onto the rink and dust being collected through the wind. A roof would keep all of this off the rink and make playing much more safe.

Thank you for taking my perspective and opinion into consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Liliane Wilcox

Kapolei

To Chair Radiant Cordeiro and Budget Committee,

My name is Aaron Tominaga and my wife Lisa Tominaga and I are in strong support for the passing of Bill 12 and 13 which secures and allocates funds for the purchasing of plastic tiles for the outdoor hockey rink at Kaoma'aikū Neighborhood Park and for the funding of the planning, designing, construction, inspecting, and providing equipment for a sustainable and resilient covering and lighting for the outdoor inline hockey facility at Kaoma'aikū Neighborhood Park in Mililani.

Lisa and I are not just parents to one of the athletes that participates in the Hawaii In-Line Hockey league, we are also adamant advocates for all activities which positively impacts the lives of our youth and our community. Lisa has been an Assistant Principal at Kanoelani Elementary for the past 6 years and was also the 2009 Counselor of the Year for the state of Hawaii. I have been principal at Waipahu Elementary School for the past 6 years and was also recognized as the National Distinguished Principal for our state 2022. We have both been a part of and have championed many worthy causes and initiatives and strongly believe that supporting the Hawaii In-line Hockey organization's goal in providing an adequate and safe environment for practices and games is no exception.

The funding would allow the installation of practice tiles and a covering which would alleviate the detrimental impact of inclement weather which creates an extremely unsafe environment for practices and games for all participants. This is especially true considering the unique challenge of playing on skates.

More importantly, this organization has had an overall positive impact and influence on our son. In a short period of time, our 11 year old son has come to love this sport. Participating has improved his self confidence and we have seen an overall positive improvement in our son's physical fitness. Although our son has participated in other sports such as Soccer, Wrestling, and Football, In-Line Hockey is something that he has really taken a liking to. Because the outdoor hockey facility is continually subjugated to adverse weather, practices and games have been often postponed and/or canceled. This limitation on court availability has had an overall negative impact on his development as a participant in this sport.

The coaching and support staff are all outstanding in how they support all skill levels as they are patient, professional, and are easy to communicate with. We are confident that with more exposure and just like our son, more will come to enjoy this sport.

Unfortunately, as support and interest from the community continues to increase, not having an adequate and safe facility for practices and games may hinder the growth in allowing others to safely enjoy this sport. I urge you to strongly consider funding and the execution of the funds to complete all projects connected to the outdoor hockey facility.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron and Lisa Tominaga