

Recreation Working Group  
Minutes of 6-16-06 Meeting  
Wes Thomas Associates

Present: Chrystal Yamasaki, Nancy Pisicchio, Louise Winn, Stephanie Brooks, Jean Grissim, Josephine Keliipio, Merry Anne Stone  
Absent: Mary Katherine Trevithick

The primary objective of this meeting was to formulate questions for Pat Engelhard, Director of Parks and Recreation who will attend the next meeting on Monday, June 26, 2006 from 3:00pm to 5:00 pm. Questions will be forwarded to her to allow her time to gather facts and information for future committee action steps.

1. What are the new recreation proposals, both public and private, for Kona?
2. Will the hours be expanded for the Konawaena Pool?
3. Does the county own the tennis courts at Konawaena and Kealekehe Schools?
4. What are the differences between State and County facilities?
5. Will you support a permanent Kona Advisory Recreation Committee? A Master Plan for Kona?
6. How are you implementing the "5 acres for every 1,000 people ratio for parks?
7. Are you actively involved in project approval for new developments, rezonings, and subdivisions?
8. Are private parks counted with the 5 acre/1,000 people ratio or are they exempt?
9. Do you support the idea of rural vs urban recreation as appropriate?
10. Do you have plans for adding and upgrading bathrooms?
11. Do districts have separate budgets and, if so, how is it allocated? If not, will you support this?
12. How is the Adopt a Park program doing? (Please bring enrollment info)
13. Which parks have been adopted in Kona?
14. What role does Parks & Rec have in the Kona Community Development Plan?
15. Is Park & Rec involved in hiking trails and camping site?
16. What will be housed in the Old A's Community Center, such as social services?
17. What is the status of the YMCA at Laaloa?
18. Are there other lands given by developers that have not been completed, i.e., roads in limbo or abandoned roads?
19. Does the county support abandoned railways to be converted to bike pathways, ie, such as from Keauhou to Kealakekua?
20. What other funding is available to Parks & Rec, such as grants?
21. How many personnel will be devoted to the Pualani park?
22. Do you know the status of the Ahupuaa 2020 plan?
23. What is the status of the land originally set aside for a municipal golf course?
24. Do you plan permanent offices and increased personnel in Kona?