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Virtual public meeting on the DEA for proposed Kawaihau police substation set for August 25

KAPA‘A – The Kaua‘i Police Department (KPD) and the County of Kaua‘i invite the public to participate in a public virtual meeting regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the proposed Kawaihau police substation.

The meeting will be from 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, August 25, via Zoom. To join the meeting, please call 646-749-3122 (Access Code: 402-785-509) or use this link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/402785509.

KPD is in the early planning stages to build a new Kawaihau police substation and is seeking the public’s input pertaining to a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) which can be accessed at http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/Doc_Library/2021-07-23-KA-DEA-Kauai-Police-Department-Kapaa-Substation.pdf.

The published DEA is provided as an opportunity to notify the public of the proposed project, offer interested parties the ability to review the proposed plans, and provide public comments regarding the proposal.

The proposed project consists of an approximately 7,000-square-foot police substation that is intended to serve the Kapa‘a community.
The Kauaʻi Police Department has made a proposal to Hawaiʻi Healthcare Systems Corporation to build the substation on an unused portion of land at the Samuel Mahelona Memorial Hospital campus, immediately east of the Kawaihau Road and Iwaena Road juncture.

Currently, the Kapaʻa Armory building serves as KPD’s temporary eastside substation.

The proposed single-story building would provide neighborhood public access to police services and include general administrative spaces and offices, a temporary holding area, interview rooms, a break room, a squad room, men’s and women’s locker rooms, a multipurpose training room, bathrooms, and other support spaces.

The estimated cost for the project is $8 million.

Comments on the DEA may still be submitted by August 23. Please submit comments or requests to Doug Haigh, Building Division Chief at the County of Kauaʻi’s Department of Public Works. He can be reached at dhaigh@kauai.gov or by mail at 4444 Rice Street, Suite 175, Līhuʻe, Hawaiʻi, 96766-13450.

The Office of Environmental Quality Control publishes Draft Environmental Assessments (DEAs) and environmental impact statements (EISs) for public review and comment in its semi-monthly publication, The Environmental Notice. A list of all Environmental Notices is available at http://oeqc2.doh.hawaii.gov/_layouts/15/start.aspx#/The_Environmental_Notice/Forms/AllItems.aspx.

Anyone needing an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability should contact Lieutenant Darren Rose at 808-241-1923 or drose@kauai.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill requests. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille or electronic copy.
Artistic renderings of proposed Kawaihau police substation.

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