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Aloha WASSUP Committee,
Sorry I missed my testimony opportunity at 12pm 3/17/25.
I wanted to focus my comments on the Parks Department to revisit their responsibility of maintenance of Pohaku Park (S-Turns).
First the past ongoing issue ever since the Lahaina fire of August 8, 2023 at this park has been the HUB there.
Thankfully for the public users and surrounding neighbors the Hub has finally been removed after 1.5 years. My office has been getting complaints about being bullied and kicked out from using and enjoying their public park for a year and a half.

The following things still need to be addressed:

- Removal of trash piles of broken surfboards/kayaks/plastic bins/busted tables chairs,etc.
 - Remove hand painted wooden pallet signs at entrance -Return sorta-potty to original spot. It currently takes up a car parking spot. This park has very limited amount of parking spaces.
 - Get Telcom to address their cable that's hanging down to about 8-9 feet off the ground.
 - Get the maintenance schedule back on track. The Hub use of the park has killed grass, sand was dug off the shoreline (illegally-have photos) and placed on areas where once was grass. Over a year and a half while Hub in place parks dept. stopped trimming trees and cutting hedges. Time to get back to it.
- Only maintenance was emptying trash cans.

-Need to follow the hours of use. Gates are not locked up at night so the surrounding neighbors have to listen to loud music blasting, loud parties and constant cars driving in and out of park all night into the early morning hours.

Please have the Parks Department take back their responsibility of Pohaku Park and bring it back to a safe and a family fun place to be.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,
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