# October 2024



# **Board Shorts**

# **Town Hall Meeting Hosted by The Finance Committee:**

The Finance Committee will provide an opportunity for community members to gather and discuss important financial matters at a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday October 29th, 2024, starting at 6pm at the Koko Isle Club House. During this meeting, you will also hear from our insurance agent and our managing agent on issues that will impact the 2025 budget. The committee will summarize the proposed 2025 Budget, which includes potential changes such as an increase in Maintenance Fees and an Assessment. This meeting serves as a platform for community engagement and transparency regarding financial decisions affecting our community. The Agenda, Budget FAQs, Meeting Agenda and an article on "The Changing Landscape of Property Insurance in Hawaii are attached.









Annual Koko Isle Community Garage Sale: The Annual Koko Isle Garage Sale was held on Saturday, Oct. 12th, 2024 and we had a fun filled event with many great items bought, sold, and traded!







## **COMMUNITY ADVISORY:**

**Hawaiian Electric Meter Updates:** Hawaiian Electric's new meter replacement has been going on over the last year. Earlier this year, Hawaiian Electric sent blanket notices announcing all meters would be changed. Then we received notices independently that our meters would be changed, and we need do nothing. But not all Residents received notices. Bottom line at this point, the Koko Isle AOAO has nothing to do with the installation of the new meters. Hawaiian Electric confirmed that the current version of the program allows residents to opt out of the Advanced Digital Features of the new meters but that eventually everyone will move to the new meters.

**NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND AWARENESS:** Please be on the alert. Holiday thievery and porch pirates are real in all neighborhoods. If you see suspicious activity, please report to the Resident Manager's Office, and call the Police 911.

We want to remind everyone to lock your vehicles and fence/gate doors. Get to know your neighbors and be aware of your surroundings, working together we can all help reduce crime on Koko Isle especially during this Holiday Season.







<u>Halloween Decorations:</u> Friendly Reminder, Halloween decorations are allowed between October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, to November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

\*Please see the excerpt below from the Koko Isle House Rules:

CARPORTS AND WALKWAYS/PLANTERS (Limited Common Element)

a) The carport and adjacent walkway/planter may be used for Christmas and/or New Year decorations between the dates of December 2 and January 10, inclusive, each year.

Decorations typically associated with other bona fide holidays or events may be placed on carport exteriors no earlier than one week prior to the holiday or event and must be removed within three days after the holiday or event. No decoration may cause any damage, be attached to any other common element structure or be attached to any common element planting.

Thank you for your cooperation and compliance.

**Holiday Decorations:** On April 29, 2024, the board approved to extend approved times for holiday decorations from Thanksgiving to January 10, 2025. The approved changes have yet to be codified in the house rules, but the board will vote at the next board meeting to put a temporary/interim approval for this year and follow through with the formal amendment process to be effective next year.





# Operating, flying, or landing drones is prohibited on Koko Isle.

House Rules: Page 32. 18) Operating, flying or landing drones or other similar devices from or in the common or limited common element is prohibited.

#### **Approved Koko Isle Board Meeting Minutes:**

Koko Isle Board Minutes are now available on the Koko Isle Website "Frontsteps" under the Internal Folder and as always is available to review in the Resident Manager's Office.

### **Up Coming Events:**

**Town Hall Finance Meeting:** Tuesday October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00pm at the Koko Isle Club House. **Koko Isle Board Meeting:** Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00pm at the Koko Isle Club House.

**Veteran's Day:** Monday November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, The Koko Isle Office will be Closed.

**Thanksgiving Day:** Thursday November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – The Koko Isle Office will be Closed.

**Koko Isle Board Meeting:** Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00pm at the Koko Isle Club House. **Hawaii Kai Marina Christmas Boat Parade:** Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Halloween Safety Tips from Our Honolulu Police Department On the Next Page!





## **Halloween Safety Tips for Drivers**

- Be alert for trick-or-treaters on Halloween. Slow down and continue to scan the road in areas.
- On Halloween there will likely be more pedestrians on the roads and in places where they are not expected. Slower speeds save lives.
- Stay alert for pedestrians who may come out from between parked cars or behind bushes. Stop, and wait for them to pass before you continue.
- Don't look at your phone or other distractions when driving. Your attention should be on the road.
- If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact law enforcement and be a good witness.

## Halloween Safety Tips for Pedestrians to Trick-or-Treat

- Create a "buddy system" to get each other home safely and prevent walking alone.
- Parents should accompany children younger than 12.
- Children should walk—not run—from house to house.
- Walk on a sidewalk if one is available and use crosswalks.
- Parents should remind children to look for cars when crossing driveways as well as streets.
- Pedestrians shouldn't assume they have the right of way, because motorists may not see them.
- Go trick-or-treating before it gets too dark, especially with young children.
- Parents and children should consider choosing costumes that are lighter in color and have reflective material which can make it easier for drivers to see them.
- Avoid costumes that make it difficult for children to see, especially ones that are full-faced masks.
- Give children a flashlight to walk with in the dark, so they can be more easily seen by drivers. Glow sticks and blinking safety lights can help, too.
- Tips for Halloween Party Hosts
- Be a responsible party host and make sure all your guests get home safely.
- Serve plenty of food and provide non-alcoholic beverage options.
- · Collect car keys from guests who are drinking.

Pre-plan for taxis or rideshares or—if you're sober—drive guests home yourself.

