

Minutes of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Honolulu Hale, Room 301
530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

Attendance

Member organization	Present?	Represented by	Absent?
AARP	X	John Goody	
American Planning Association	X	Suwan Shen	
American Society of Civil Engineers	X	Lara Karamatsu	
Beautiful Honolulu Foundation			X
Castle and Cook Homes Hawaii			X
Citizens for a Fair ADA ride	X	Rose Pou	
Committee for Balanced Transportation	X	Joseph Magaldi	
E Noa Corporation	X	Tom Dinell	
Gentry Homes, Ltd.			X
Hawaii Association of the Blind	X	Anthony Akamine	
Hawaii Bicycling League	X	Daniel Alexander	
Hawaii Teamsters / Allied Workers, Local 996			X
Hui Kupuna VIP			X
Hunt Companies			X
Institute of Transportation Engineers	X	Juanita Wolfgang	
Kaaawa Community Association	X	Andrea Anixt	
Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii			X
League of Women Voters			X
Mestizo Association	X	Arvid Youngquist	
NB#01 Hawaii Kai			X
NB#02 Kuliouou-Kalani Iki	X	Linda Starr	
NB#03 Waialae-Kahala	X	Les Fukuda	
NB#05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu	X	Bert Narita	
NB#07 Manoa	X	Jim Hayes	
NB#08 McCully-Moilili			X
NB#09 Waikiki	X	David Benson	
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus	X	Charles Carole	
NB#11 Ala Moana-Kakaako	X	Bob Armstrong	
NB#13 Downtown			X
NB#14 Liliha-Puunui-Alewa-Kamehameha Hts.	X	Brandon Mitsuda	

Member organization	Present?	Represented by	Absent?
NB#15 Kalihi Palama			X
NB#18 Aliamanu - Salt Lake			X
NB#21 Pearl City			X
NB#22 Waipahu	X	Marcella Grandquist-Waller	
NB#23 Ewa	X	Jessie Weinberger	
NB#24 Waianae Coast			X
NB#25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu	X	Dick Poirier	
NB#26 Wahiawa			X
NB#29 Kahaluu	X	Ken LeVasseur	
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale	X	Frank Genadio	
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley	X	Steven Melendrez	
NB#36 Nanakuli-Maili			X
North Shore Chamber of Commerce	X	Ed Korybski	
Pacific Resource Partnership	X	Paul Migliorato	
Palehua Townhouses	X	Michael Golojuch	
Waikiki Resident's Association	X	Daisy Murai	

Guests	Chris Clark (DTS), Christopher Lacsina, Lissa Leonardo (City Council), Jeff Laupola, C. Pona Higa, Jan Bappe
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OahuMPO staff present	Alvin Au, Amy Ford-Wagner, Roni Schack, Taylor Ellis, Dylan Armstrong
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Meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Joseph Magaldi called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. and asked attendees to introduce themselves.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2017

Richard Poirier of NB#25 was nominated for the position of Chair. With no further candidates for Chair, Bert Narita of NB#05 Motioned that nominations for Chair be closed.

Joseph Magaldi of Committee for Balanced Transportation was nominated for the position of Vice Chair. With no further candidates for Chair, Bert Narita of NB#05 Motioned that nominations for Chair be closed.

With each candidate running unopposed, Richard Poirier and Joseph Magaldi were elected to the position of Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2017 MEETING

Marcella Granquist of NB#22 made a correction to page 3 clarifying that she had asked when DTS would present the **results** to the **Waipahu** Neighborhood Board not the **design** to **Wahiawa**.

Chairman Poirier made a correction to item 2 that the election of Chair and Vice Chair was **deferred** and not **differed**.

Chairman Poirier made a correction to item 6. E. that he expressed his belief that deferring an agenda item was in violation of not just the CAC bylaws but also state sunshine laws.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the January 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes with corrections. Motion was passed unanimously.

4. REPORTS OF POLICY BOARD AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

In the absence of Interim Executive Director Randolph Sykes, Taylor Ellis of OahuMPO Staff advised the Chair to postpone the report until next meeting where a full report can be delivered.

Chairman Poirier concurred and moved on to the next agenda item.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Results of online polling for new location and time for 2017 CAC meetings.

At the January CAC meeting, there was a motion to conduct an online Doodle poll. Nominations for location and time was opened up to all voting members of the CAC for one week. The nominees were:

- 1) 3rd Wednesday at 3:00PM at Honolulu Hale
- 2) 3rd Wednesday at 3:00PM at Honolulu Hale with 1-2 meetings per year at Kapolei Hale
- 3) 3rd Wednesday at 2:00PM at Honolulu Hale
- 4) 3rd Wednesday at 4:30PM at Honolulu Hale

Each organization only received one vote. The invitation to the Doodle poll was distributed to the chair of each organization or a designated representative. 44 Invitations were sent. OahuMPO received 16 votes; 10 votes for 3rd Wednesday at 3:00PM at Honolulu Hale (The current time and location, 4 votes for 1-2 meetings at Kapolei Hale, 1 vote to move the time forward to 2:00PM, 1 vote to move the time back to 4:30PM.

There was a vote to accept the results of the online poll. Charles Carrol of NB#10 and Michael Golojuch of Palehua Townhouses were in opposition.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Reports from the CAC Bylaws Permitted Interaction Group

John Goody of AARP reported that The Bylaws Permitted Interaction Group met during the month of January to discuss changes to the CAC Bylaws regarding officer terms of service and the number of consecutive terms.

The Permitted Interaction Group voted to recommend the CAC keeps the CAC Bylaws the same with elections every calendar year and each officer serving no more than two consecutive terms.

There was a motion to accept the recommendations of The Bylaws Permitted Interaction Group.

B. Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy

Amy Ford-Wagner of OahuMPO staff led discussion on the *Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy for the Policy Board and Advisory Committees*. Questions had been raised by members of the CAC pertaining to item 5 of the policy which states:

“[Members of the Board] To the extent consistent with the Member’s appointing agency’s policies, shall not knowingly perform or refuse to perform any act to deliberately thwart the execution of the policies, rules or regulations of the Board.”

Concerns were raised that this would prevent members of the CAC from providing testimony.

Amy Ford-Wagner explained that OahuMPO staff spoke with the State Ethics Commission which explained that the legal principal behind this is that no one can use their position for personal gain, or use that position to jeopardize the board’s policies, rules, or regulations.

Amy explained that if a member of the CAC wanted to speak or otherwise provide testimony, they could mention that they are a member of the CAC but that they cannot say they speak on behalf of the CAC without the Policy Board approving their testimony.

1340 Discussion:

There was discussion regarding the policy and the restrictions it may place on members of the CAC.

2009 Steven Melendrez of NB#35 Mililani Mauka – Launani Valley stated his belief that members of the CAC can in fact speak on behalf of the CAC if they are truly representing the will of the CAC. They cannot speak on behalf of the Policy Board or any other advisory committee.

Arvid Youngquist agreed that the Policy Board should be invited to the CAC to discuss the Code of Conduct Policy.

Interim Executive Director Alvin Au of OahuMPO concurred and supported the CAC’s desire to have a representative of the Policy Board come down to speak with the CAC. He declared his intent to speak with members of the Policy Board in the interim.

Tom Dinell Of the E Noa Corporation motioned that the CAC requests that the Policy Board Chair meets with the CAC to clarify the Conflict of Interest policy, including the requested amendments to the CAC bylaws. With no objections, the motion was carried unanimously.

C. Tentative Transportation Improvement Program Revision #15

Dylan Armstrong of OahuMPO staff presented the tentative list of projects for the Draft 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Project Revision #15 Amendments. The Amendment TIP revisions are considered draft until they complete public and intergovernmental review and are approved by the Policy Board.

Discussion: Steven Melendrez of NB#35 Mililani Mauka asked a question regarding OS14's request to increase funds due to low bid. He asked if any changes to the project would take the form of a change order or if there was a re-bid of the RFP. Dylan Armstrong stated that he would follow up with HDOT.

Rose Po of Citizen's for a Fair ADA Ride asked if it was possible to get more handi-vans. Dylan Armstrong stated that that project was to acquire more buses and handi-vans and that all vehicles were being termed "buses" in the project description.

Tom Dinell of E Noa Corporation asked for clarification on two new projects being added to the TIP. Dylan Armstrong stated that the two projects were OS66 is a corridor study along Farrington Highway and OS67 Interstate Route H-1, Reconstruction and Repair, Eastbound, Waimalu Interchange to Halawa

Arvid Youngquist of the Mestizo Association asked if the CAC should have designated testifiers at the capitol. Dylan Armstrong stated that that would be up to the Policy Board.

Daniel Alexander of the Hawaii Bicycling League asked if, because their new projects were requesting additional funds, should one expect that funds were going to be removed from a corresponding portion of the budget? Dylan Armstrong responded that Revision #14 included routine program and project delays which offset the costs and keep the TIP financially constrained.

Linda Starr of NB#02 Kuliouou-Kalani Iki commented that the handi-van system is systemically broken.

D. Central Oahu Transportation Study

Amy Ford-Wagner of OahuMPO staff provided the preliminary background for the Central Oahu Transportation Study.

OahuMPO staff stated that they were looking to reach out to stakeholders in the Central Oahu Transportation Study area to be form a virtual stakeholder panel throughout the duration of the study and requested that the CAC nominate organizations that would be appropriate.

Chairman Richard Poirier led discussion on the letter that Neighborhood Board #25 sent to OahuMPO regarding Commuter Travel Time from Central Oahu communities to town as well as to Kapolei. He suggested the idea of the formation of a Permitted Interaction Group to advise the CAC on the Central Oahu Transportation Study.

Arvid Yongquist of the Mestizo Association Motioned to establish a Permitted

Interaction Group to advise the CAC on the Central Oahu Transportation Study with Tom Dinell of the E Noa Corporation as the chair.
Jessie Weinberger of NB#23 Ewa Seconded the motion.

Discussion:

There was discussion on the specifics of the contract with SSFM and the PIG's role in conjunction with the consultant.

Tom Dinell of the E Noa Corporation expressed his support of the PIG however declined the position of chair.

Bert Narita of NB#05 Suggested that the CAC adopt the motion and allow the PIG to determine their chair at their first meeting.

With no objections, the motion carried.

7. **Invitation to Interested Members of the Public to be Heard on Matters Not Included on the Agenda**

Marilyn Lee (Guest NB#25 Mililani) expressed her support of the PIG and her only concern was that development would continue during the study. She also stated that NB#25 Mililani had not be consulted on the scope of the study prior to its start.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Steven Melendrez of NB#35 Mililani Mauka announced his meeting the Brandon Morioka and K.N. Murthy the new interim executive director of HART. He asked them how the community knows the rail is safe and what quality assurance protocols are in place. He stated that he would have a report next meeting.

Joe Magaldi announce a HART meeting at Kapolei Hale on February 16, 2017.

9. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting will be on April 19, 2017 at 3:00PM at Honolulu Hale.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 4:10p.

CAC Richard Poirier

Date

CAC Secretary Taylor Ellis

Date