

**Minutes of the  
O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization**

**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Honolulu Hale Room 301

530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

**Attendance**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Present?</b>	<b>Represented by</b>	<b>Absent?</b>
AARP	X	Elizabeth Chinn	
American Planning Association	X	Jared Chang	
American Society of Civil Engineers	X	Lara Karamatsu	
Citizens for a Fair ADA ride			X
Committee for Balanced Transportation	X	Joseph Magaldi	
E Noa Transportation	X		
Gentry Homes, Ltd.			X
Hawai'i Association of the Blind	X	Anthony Akamine	
Hawai'i Bicycling League			X
Hawai'i Teamsters / Allied Workers, Local 996			X
Institute of Transportation Engineers	X	Robert Nehmad	
Ka'a'awa Community Association	X	Andrea Anixt	
Mestizo Association	X	Arvid Youngquist	
NB#01 Hawai'i Kai	X	Roberta Mayor	
NB#02 Kuliouou-Kalani Iki			X
NB#03 Wai'alaie-Kahala	X	Les Fukuda	
NB#05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu	X	Bert Narita	
NB#07 Mānoa			X
NB#08 McCully-Mo'ili'ili			X
NB#09 Waikiki	X	Kathryn Henski	
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus			X
NB#11 Ala Moana-Kaka'ako			X
NB#12 Nu'uano-Punchbowl			X
NB#13 Downtown/Chinatown	X	Dolores Mollring	
NB#14 Liliha-Pu'unui-Alewa-Kamehameha Hts			X
NB#15 Kalihi-Palama .	X	Kendrick Farm	
NB#18 Aliamanu - Salt Lake	X	Chace Shigemasa	
NB#21 Pearl City	X	Tad Tsuruma	
NB#22 Waipahu	X	Matthew Weyer	
NB#23 'Ewa	X	John Rogers	
NB#24 Wai'anae Coast	X	Tim Riley	
NB#25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu	X	Elise Carmody	

NB#26 Wahiawā			X
NB#29 Kahalu'u			X
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale			X
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley	X	Steve Melendrez	
NB#36 Nānākuli-Ma'ili	X	Germaine Meyers	
North Shore Chamber of Commerce			X
Pacific Resource Partnership	X	Paul Migliorato	
Palehua Townhouses			X
Waikiki Residents Association	X	Daisy Murai	

Others	David Aki, NB#23 Rodney Boucher, NB#23 Bob Leinau, NB #29 Elizabeth Kincaid, Consort Engineers
OahuMPO staff	Alvin Au Nicki Smith      Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand Roni Schack      Tori Larson Joel Vincent      Diane Dohm

Meeting was properly noticed per State law.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Joe Magaldi called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. All in attendance introduced themselves.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 19, 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting was approved with no objections.

**3. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Executive Director Alvin Au reported that Senior Transportation Planner Diane Dohm would be transferring to the Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) as their State Bike-Pedestrian Coordinator and introduced OahuMPO's new Transportation Impact Analyst Nicole Cernohorsky. He also provided a brief summary of the July 30, 2019 Policy Board meeting and the August 9, 2019 Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

To a question on whether there has been any studies addressing the Laniakea condition regarding pedestrian safety and traffic patterns, Executive Director Au responded that HDOT would be the agency to address those issues. There was also discussion on CAC's recommendation for a North Shore Corridor Study and it was recommended that HDOT be included on a future agenda to address these issues.

To a question on whether "standards for highways" will also be adopted by the City, OahuMPO staff indicate they will check with the City and bring the answer back to the CAC.

It was noted that the July 17, 2019 CAC agenda item presentation regarding the TIP Revision #6 had not been completed at that meeting due to time constraints and Executive Director Au indicated it could be presented at a future meeting.

The executive director's report is posted at [https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\\_dl=1689](https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1689).

#### **4. REPORTS FROM CAC SUBCOMMITTEES**

Sub-Committee Chair Ken Farm thanked those who came to the August 13 Subcommittee meeting and commended OahuMPO transportation intern Logan Takeda for his support. Chair Farm shared the following highlights of the Safety Subcommittee.

- Many do not know what Vision Zero is so that gap needs to be addressed. The Subcommittee also needs to look at the Vision Zero framework and know what will work in the various areas (e.g. urban vs. rural);
- Discussed compliance to laws vs. mitigating by changing the built environment as ways for motivating desired behavior;
- David Aki 's presentation to the Subcommittee brought attention to the wealth of information that veteran drivers have about Oahu's streets and roadways. They are a wealth of untapped information about pedestrian safety. He brought to light that drivers today no longer are mandated to attend the annual safety training.
- Viewed videos from FHWA for ideas of pedestrian safety measures;
- There is interest in arranging a visit to the future Joint Traffic Management Center (JTMC);
- That there were pedestrian safety refresher courses in the past but funding for that no longer exists.

The draft minutes of the meeting are posted at [https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\\_dl=1710](https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1710).

There was discussion clarifying that the City's Emergency Management Center located in the basement of the Frank Fasi Municipal Building and the Joint Traffic Management Center (JTMC) are different entities. It was added that the State Civil Defense Facility is located in Diamond Head. David Aki indicated that he has recruited individuals with as much as 45 years in transportation to assist the CAC regarding Koa Ridge, D.R. Horton, and Ft. Weaver issues.

#### **5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **6. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2045 Vision and Goals**

Diane Dohm, OahuMPO Senior Transportation Planner commended Kiana Otsuka for designing and leading the implementation of the public involvement Phase 1 of the ORTP process. She discussed the results, the methods used, and the feedback received during the outreach and from the working group and discussed the draft Vision and Goals.

*There was discussion on:*

- Focus group stats vs. overall assessment and how the statistics might change if rail was removed since it was felt that inclusion of rail may misrepresent the end result. Ms. Dohm explained that the transit category included rail, bus, and handivan.
- Whether rail design might be different in 2045 because steel-on-steel technology may be obsolete by then;
- How the effect of climate change will change the topography of the island;
- A past CAC request to engage a futurist who can provide CAC with a clearer picture of the future to help CAC;
- The annual importation of thousands of new automobiles and what happens to the old automobiles;
- The importance of determining exactly what people mean when they say safety,
- A suggestion to have 10 target areas with appropriate metrics,
- OahuMPO working closely with the Office of Climate Change, Resiliency, and Sustainability and how they will be part of the future working group that will be vetting results.
- Comments from several members commending this effort.

Ms. Dohm noted that any further comments or questions can be sent to the Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand of OahuMPO.

The PowerPoint presentation is posted at [https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\\_dl=1690](https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1690).

#### **B. Overall Work Program (OWP) FY2021 Early Input**

Nicki Smith, OahuMPO Planning Program Manager reviewed what is the OWP and Early Input and last year's CAC input and their final disposition. She acknowledged that the North Shore Corridor Study has been the priority of the CAC in past years and that it is the intention to work closely with HDOT to identify a lead agency that can provide the right staff and match. The OahuMPO will continue to work with HDOT because the Kamehameha Highway is a state facility.

Ms. Smith invited CAC members to provide early input by September 4, 2019. The candidate projects can be submitted to Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand at [oahumpo@oahumpo.org](mailto:oahumpo@oahumpo.org). It was noted that the resulting list will be shared with CAC at their September meeting and also with the agency partners for their input and invite them to speak to the CAC. She noted that there will be a call for projects to all agencies towards the end of October. Participating agencies will have an opportunity to submit their candidate projects by the end of November.

*There was discussion on the following.*

- Whether *OC4 DTS Optimizes Signal Timing* would take the place of OC9 or OC10 *daptive Traffic Control* and clarification that anything involving traffic signals, installing street lights, or construction is a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project rather than an OWP study. The OWP consists of projects related to long-term planning or that require analyses. The alternate route study for West Side was an

example of a possible project that may fit into the parameters of the OWP while the bicycle infrastructure is construction and thus a TIP rather than an OWP project. Ms. Dohm added that the bicycle infrastructure plan was funded in the OWP, that study has been completed, and will be presented at the next CAC meeting.

- Whether there are any of the Tier 1 Sites projects displayed in the presentation are in the West side, it was noted that the closest is the Farrington Highway, Makua at Keaau Stream Bridge.
- That the North Shore beaches and the need to integrate facilities such as parking, showers, restrooms, and lifeguards,
- Clarification that Shoreline Protection Study was HDOT's project in which they used their own funds and no OahuMPO funds were involved,
- Regarding the North Shore Corridor Study, Ms. Smith stated that staff will continue to meet with interested CAC members on this issue but identifying a lead agency and staff is what is needed.

The presentation's PowerPoint is posted at [https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\\_dl=1691](https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1691).

### **C. CAC Membership Update**

As directed by the CAC Bylaws, the CAC needs to consider whether to recommend removal of Member organizations that have not been represented at CAC meetings. Letters were sent to these organizations by OahuMPO asking if they wish to continue as CAC Members.

CAC Chair Joe Magaldi provided an update noting that of the seven organizations listed on the agenda, Neighborhood Board (NB) #7 Manoa, NB 14 Liliha, and NB 22 Waipahu all expressed interest in continuing as Members. NB#22 Waipahu Representative, Matthew Weyer, who was present at the meeting confirmed NB#22's interest in remaining a Member of the CAC.

Robert Nehmad moved and three other CAC members seconded that the following four seats be vacated for non-attendance.

1. Beautiful Honolulu Foundation
2. Hui Kupuna VIP
3. Land Use Research Foundation
4. League of Women Voters

There was no further discussion, no abstentions or oppositions and the motion was approved.

### **D. Update Public Participation Plan and Related Mid-Year CAC Survey**

Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand, Acting OahuMPO Community Planner encouraged CAC members to participate in the survey included in the meeting packets mailed to them by August 30, 2019. Members can use the paper survey or take the survey online version.

Ms. Weygan-Hildebrand also introduced the development and result of the Public Participation Plan Update. She encouraged all Members to share their comments by August 30, 2019. She noted that the current draft is expected to be finalized by September and distributed during the intergovernmental review and public comment period.

The PowerPoint presentation is posted at [https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb\\_dl=1692](https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1692).  
The online survey is available on <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019CACSurvey>.

NB#36 Nānākuli-Ma'ili representative Germaine Meyers expressed her appreciation of the Public Participation Plan which will be beneficial to their newly elected Transportation Committee co-chairs since they are unfamiliar with the OahuMPO's public participation processes.

There were comments that it would be appreciated if the cover include a portrayal of the west coast of the island who also use transportation and perhaps using four pictures instead of just one. Ms. Weygan-Hildebrand indicated these are the types of comments that she hopes to receive and can give to the graphic artist.

**7. INVITATION TO INTERESTED MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA**

None

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rodney Boucher announced that on September 7, 2019 there will be an Ewa Emergency Preparedness Fair in Ewa Beach.


OahuMPO Staff reminded the CAC that the September 27, 2019 Policy Board meeting will be at the HART conference room and not at the Honolulu Hale.

**1) ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m. The next meeting will be on September 18, 2019.



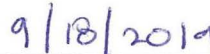
*Joe Magaldi, Chair*



*Date*



*Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand, Recorder*



*Date*