

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

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.
Honolulu Hale Room 301
530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Attendance

Organization	Present?	Represented by	Absent?
AARP	X	Elizabeth Chinn	
American Planning Association			X
American Society of Civil Engineers	X	Laura Karamatsu	
Citizens for a Fair ADA ride	X	Rose Pou	
Committee for Balanced Transportation	X	Joseph Magaldi	
E Noa Transportation	X	Tom Dinell	
Gentry Homes, Ltd.			X
Hawai'i Association of the Blind	X	Anthony Akamaine	
Hawai'i Bicycling League	X	Daniel Alexander	
Hawai'i Teamsters / Allied Workers, Local 996			X
Institute of Transportation Engineers	X	Robert Nehmad	
Ka'a'awa Community Association	X	Andrea Anixt	
League of Women Voters	X	Marcia Linville	
Mestizo Association			X
Pacific Resource Partnership	X	Paul Migliorato	
Waikiki Residents' Association	X	Daisy Murai	
NB#01 Hawai'i Kai			X
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
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus	X	Fred Nakahara	
NB#11 Ala Moana-Kaka'ako			X
NB#12 Nu'uuanu-Punchbowl			X
NB#13 Downtown/Chinatown			X
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

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	Dick Poirier	
NB#26 Wahiawā	X	Joe Francher	
NB#29 Kahalu'u	X	Ken LeVasseur	
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale	X	Frank Genadio	
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley			X
NB#36 Nānākuli-Ma'ili	X	Germaine Meyers	
North Shore Chamber of Commerce			X
Palehua Townhouses			X

Others	Robert Leinau – NB#27 Marion Poirier
OahuMPO staff	Alvin Au Roni Schack Nicki Smith Taylor Ellis Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand

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 SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Robert Nehmad of Institute of Transportation Engineers motioned to accept the minutes as written. Ken Farm of Neighborhood Board #15 Kalihi - Palama seconded the motion. There being no discussion, objections, or abstentions, the motion passed and the minutes were accepted as written.

3. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Director Au stated that The Central Oahu Transportation Study is nearing completion. The Central O'ahu Transportation Study Draft Report was available for public and inter-government comment through October 7, 2019. The draft study can be found here

https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=1707

4. REPORTS FROM CAC SUBCOMMITTEES

Pedestrian Safety sub-committee Chair, Ken Farm, updated the CAC on changes to the Subcommittee's resolution for Vision Zero.

Chair Farm discussed ongoing discussion in the subcommittee regarding the best way to proceed with offsite fieldtrips to follow Hawaii Sunshine Law.

Chair Farm discussed ongoing efforts to coordinate for a visit to the Joint Management Traffic Center.

Discussion:

Chase Shigemasa of Neighborhood Board #18 Aliamanu-Salt Lake proposed that the Pedestrian Safety Subcommittee create a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) in order to conduct roving meetings. Executive Director Au further elaborated on the liability and safety issues associated with having open meetings out in the community.

There was discussion on whether the PIG would come from the larger CAC or whether it would come from the subcommittee.

Taylor Ellis of OahuMPO staff clarified the Sunshine Law requirements regarding limited meetings.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Midyear CAC member orientation & 2019 Survey results

Taylor Ellis of OahuMPO staff provided the annual refresher training for the CAC outlining the function of the MPO, the roles and responsibilities of the members, and how to optimize their opportunities to provide input.

Discussion

Robert Nemad of Institute of Transportation Engineers asked where the best place to provide comments from a CAC member's organization's meetings. Taylor Ellis responded that comments should be sent via email, which is official correspondence, so it can be forwarded to the proper department or agency.

Frank Genardio asked if the Transportation for Oahu Plan had been superseded by the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan. Taylor responded that he would find out for Mr. Genardio.

A request was made to provide print outs of the PowerPoints in the future.

B. FY2021 Overall Work Program (OWP) Early Input from the CAC

Taylor Ellis gave a brief overview of the OWP and the prioritization process. He presented the four candidate work elements that the members of the CAC had proposed including the North Shore Corridor Study, Cordon Area Congestion Pricing Study, Leeward Coast

Transportation Study, and Kalanianaʻole Corridor Study.

The presentation covered feedback and updates to parallel projects from agencies and encouraged the CAC to update and refine their proposals in response to new work.

Discussion:

Ken Farm of NB#15 asked if the OWP was for specific areas or regions. Taylor Ellis responded that the OWP is meant to look at all the alternatives in a geographical region.

Roberts Leinau of NB#27 asked who makes the decisions to push back project on the Transportation Improvement Program. Taylor Ellis explained that each year the TIP is refined, and agencies may decide to defer a project phase for a later year.

Andrea Anixt of Kaaawa Community Association, opened discussion of what agency should take the lead in the North Shore Corridor Study.

Richard Poirier of NB#25 suggested the Office of Planning or the School of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Hawaii could be the lead agency for the North Shore Corridor Study.

Roberts Leinau of NB#27 Asked if the Cordon Area Congestion Study could reduce the number of cars through licensing or registration. Taylor responded that those options would most likely be included in the study.

Ken Farm of NB#15 asked if a mile and a half in the vicinity of middle street would be an appropriately sized area for a study. Taylor responded that he's welcome to submit it, however he cautioned that something too specific wouldn't be appropriate.

Chase Shigemasa of Neighborhood Board #18 asked about a holistic study about the greater area including the Airport Viaduct. Nicole Smith of OahuMPO stated that that could be a sub-area study in future cycles. She also advised them to look at the ORTP for projects that align with their interests and submit comments. She also emphasized that if a project is in the ORTP, it places a candidate work element in a higher priority level.

There was a motion to defer agenda item 2C OahuMPO title VI plan to a later meeting. Hearing no objections or abstentions the motion carried and discussion continued with the OWP candidates.

Daniel Alexander of the Hawaii Bicycling League suggested that what the North Shore Corridor Study could offer that's different from the Statewide Costal Highway Report is a more comprehensive report that goes into more than the survival of Kamehameha Highway and looks are multimodal connectivity and transportation options for the community.

Ken Levasseur of NB#29 emphasized the Title VI communities that reside on the North Shore. He suggested that Electronic Road Taxes (ERP), like those that may be looked at in the Cordon Area Congestion Study, on commercial vehicles might be effective to reduce the congestion in the North Shore.

Andrea Anixt stated that if the North Shore is Title VI and that should place it as a higher priority.

Roberts Leinauof NB#27 motioned to extend the meeting to 4:30PM. Frank Genadio of NB#34 Seconded. There being no objections or abstentions, the motioned carried and the meeting was extended.

Frank Genadio of NB#34 asked for clarification of the boundaries of the Farrington Highway Corridor Study and the Leeward Coast Corridor Study. Taylor explained that he was anticipating pushback from HDOT unless the Leeward Coast Transportation Study was able to sufficiently distinguish itself from the Farrington Highway Corridor Study and recommended work be done to write that distinction into the final candidate work element.

Tim Riley of NB#23 asked where the CAC could read the Farrington Highway Corridor Study. He was informed that the study was just starting out and information was available on their website.

Roberts Leinauof NB#27 asked if the recommendation was to terminate the Leeward Coast Transportation Study boundaries at the beginning of the Farrington Highway Corridor Study. Taylor recommended an in-depth look at the scope of the Farrington Highway Corridor Study and eliminate redundancies.

Tom Dinell of E Noa Corporation requested that the CAC be able to discuss what they wanted to see in the 25 year long term plan written in the ORTP.

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

None

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next CAC meeting was announced to be at The Kalihi-Palama Bus Facility 811 Middle Street, Honolulu, HI 96819 on November 20, 2019.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next meeting will be on November 20, 2019.