Minutes of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 13th, 2020 Virtual Meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Name	Agency	Voting	Present
		Rights	
Ken Tatsuguchi (Chair)	HDOT	Yes	Χ
Masatomo Murata	HDOT	Yes	Χ
Jorge Felix (Vice Chair)	HART	Yes	Χ
Vacant	HART	Yes	
Marian Yasuda	DTS	Yes	Χ
Eileen Mark	DTS	Yes	Χ
Dina Wong	DPP	Yes	Χ
Andy Yamaguchi	DPP	Yes	Χ
Joseph Roos	DBEDT	Yes	Χ
Ruby Edwards	OP	Yes	Χ
Kimberly Evans	FAA	No	
Ted Matley	FTA	No	
Kyle Oyasato	DFM	No	
Gareth Sakakida	HTA	No	Χ
Tim Trang	DDC	No	
Amy Ford-Wagner	FHWA	No	Χ

Guests Present: Harrison Rue (DPP), Patrick Tom (HDOT), Chris Clark (DTS), Rachel Roper (HDOT), Rodney Funakoshi (OP), Jill Tanabe (HDOT), Virginia Sosh (DTS)

OahuMPO Staff Present: Alvin Au, Roni Schack, Nicki Smith, Tori Treviño, Samantha Lara, Kiana Otsuka, Nicole Cernohorsky, Randolph Sykes, Zakari Mumuni, Joel Vincent, Neezcha Dinman

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tatsuguchi called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

II. ROLL CALL

Chair Tatsuguchi took roll call by reading out the list of attendees in the meeting as noted in the Teams program.

III. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 9TH MEETING MINUTES

Chair Tatsuguchi requested members review the minutes which were emailed to the members in advance of the meeting.

A motion was made by Marian Yasuda and seconded by Ruby Edwards to approve the minutes as presented. There were no further discussions, abstentions, or objections and the minutes were approved as corrected. Chair Tatsuguchi proceeded with a roll call vote.

Member	Roll Call Vote	
Ken Tatsuguchi	Aye	
Jorge Felix	Aye	
Andy Yamaguchi	Aye	
Dina Wong	Aye	
Eileen Mark	Aye	
Marian Yasuda	Aye	
Tomo Murata	Aye	
Joseph Roos	No response	
Ruby Edwards	Aye	

IV. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

Director Au shared that the OahuMPO staff attended the bi-annual Sub-Statewide Transportation Advisory Committee (Sub-STAC) meetings on October 21-22, 2020. Topics at this meeting included public outreach during COVID-19, equity issues, the Hawaii Statewide Transportation Plan, emerging trends for clean transportation.

On October 23rd, OahuMPO provided the ORTP 2045 Working Group an overview of the project and program applications received for consideration of Federal transportation funding, and their evaluation and scoring.

OahuMPO hosted two virtual Open House events on November 12th. These events served as an opportunity for the public to get to know OahuMPO, what we do, and how they can get involved in our planning efforts.

The OahuMPO Policy Board met on October 27th and voted to adopt the Department of Transportation Services Transit Safety Targets. OahuMPO staff provided an update on the 2018 Federal Certification Review Implementation Plan.

The OahuMPO staff also presented an evaluation of Phase 1 public participation efforts of the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2045.

The CAC met on November 4, 2020, and staff presented the Overall Work Program FY2021 Revision #1 that proposes adding the Work Where You Live study and the Congestion & Mobility Pricing Study; Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2045 Project and Program Submissions, Evaluation, and Scoring; and the ORTP Phase 2 Public Involvement Plan.

The Executive Director's Report can be viewed at: https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb dl=2029

V. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to conduct.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Overall Work Program FY2021 Revision #1

Nicki Smith, Planning Program Manager, began with an overview of the Overall Work Program, highlighting its funding sources and revision process. Ms. Smith noted that Revision #1 proposes adding two subrecipient studies to the OWP FY2021.

The Work Where You Live study was proposed by the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) in partnership with the Office of Planning and the Department of Human Resource Development. DTS is seeking \$100,000 in funding for this work. The study will assess the telework experience of Oahu-based State of Hawaii employees and City & County of Honolulu employees during the Work-from-Home period of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Congestion & Mobility Pricing Study was proposed by the Department of Planning & Permitting (DPP) in partnership with DTS, the Department of Budget & Fiscal Services, and the Department of Customer Service. DPP is seeking \$860,000 in funding for this study. This study will assess the technology and test site options for implementing a congestion pricing program in Honolulu.

Because Revision #1 is an amendment making major changes to the OWP, it was released for public & intergovernmental review from September 30th – October 23rd. There were no public comments received. The State Climate Commission and DPP submitted comments on the Work Where You Live Study.

Nicki Smith and Chris Clark with DTS responded to questions from TAC members regarding procurement of consultant services for the studies proposed in Revision #1 and comments received during the public and intergovernmental review period.

A motion was made by Jorge Felix and seconded by Andy Yamaguchi to recommend Policy Board approval of Revision #1 to the OWP FY2021.

Member	Roll Call Vote
Ken Tatsuguchi	Aye
Jorge Felix	Aye
Andy Yamaguchi	Aye
Dina Wong	Aye
Eileen Mark	Aye
Marian Yasuda	Aye
Tomo Murata	Aye

Ruby Edwards	Aye
Joseph Roos	Aye

B. Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2045 Project and Program Submissions, Evaluation, and Scoring

Kiana Otsuka, Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the ORTP and the schedule for completion of the plan update between November 2020 and April 2021.

Kiana summarized the goals and evaluation criteria used to evaluate the project and program submissions. Staff also defined key words to know, including project, program, and renominated. Renominated refers to projects or programs that are in the ORTP 2040 or in the FFYs 2019-2022 TIP.

Of the 106 project/program applications for Federal transportation funding that were received, 89 were renominated and 17 were new. OahuMPO is still expecting applications for short-term/TIP projects and programs from DTS.

Kiana reviewed the short-term new applications for projects, noting the total estimated cost, Federal funding request, and evaluation score for each. The new project applications consist of seismic retrofits, rockfall mitigation, railroad crossing improvement, lighting improvements, new roadway construction, safety improvements, interchange improvements, mitigation/restoration, and highway widening.

Kianathen reviewed the new mid and long-range program applications, noting the total estimated cost, Federal funding request, and evaluation score for each. These applications consist of a system preservation program, resiliency program, safety program, and congestion mitigation program.

OahuMPO staff provided the following link to an interactive map of the new projects:

https://histategis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=186cdb911d9f478a83 002602f7bf8873

Staff noted that the map excludes programs because programs don't have locations, and the Halawa Valley Mitigation projects, as no location has been assigned yet.

OahuMPO staff presented a chart that showed the percentages of Federal funding request for all new projects and programs, relative to the percentages assigned to different objectives in the prioritization process.

Finally, staff presented a chart with all seventeen projects ranked by evaluation score.

C. Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2045 Phase 2 Public Involvement Plan

Samantha Lara, Community Planner, reviewed goals and objectives for Phase 2. Ms. Lara then reviewed the stakeholders that will be engaged in Phase 2.

Staff shared a timeline for Phase 2 outreach and work tasks from November 2020 through April 2021.

Staff then reviewed OahuMPO's strategies for Phase 2 with an emphasis on virtual engagement due to the pandemic. Staff shared the questions OahuMPO will consider when evaluating the outcomes of Phase 2. Ken Tatsuguchi commended OahuMPO for changes made to Phase 2 based on the Phase 1 evaluation.

VII. INVITATION TO INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA

There were no matters to be heard.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tatsuguchi adjourned the meeting at 10:12 am.

The meeting's presentation may be viewed at: https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb dl=2028