

Minutes of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 22, 2011, 1:15 p.m.
Council Committee Meeting Room 205
530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

Members Present:

Councilmember Breene Harimoto, Chair	Representative Karen Awana
Councilmember Romy Cachola	Representative Marilyn Lee
Councilmember Stanley Chang	DOT Director Glenn Okimoto
Councilmember Ann Kobayashi	DTS Director Wayne Yoshioka
Councilmember Ernest Martin	

Member(s) Absent: Representative Joseph Souki; Senators J. Kalani English, Will Espero, and Carol Fukunaga (Vice Chair)

Guests Present:

Dennis Galolo (CM Cachola staff)	Joseph Magaldi (Committee for Balanced Transportation, CAC)
Frank Streed (CM Harimoto staff)	Louise Horio (Hui Kupuna VIP, CAC)
Kimberly Ribellia (CM Martin staff)	Rose Pou (Hui Kupuna VIP, CAC)
Sharon Lum Ho (Sen. English staff)	Tom Smyth (NB #13, CAC)
Elizabeth Fischer, FHWA	

OahuMPO Staff Present: Brian Gibson, Randolph Sykes, Marian Yasuda, Pamela Toyooka

Due to the absence of the Vice Chair and the lack of a Chair, Executive Director Brian Gibson called the meeting to order at 1:24 p.m. A quorum was present.

The agenda items were taken out of order.

II. ELECT NEW FY 2011 POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Mr. Gibson explained that the Policy Committee needed to elect a new Chair for the remainder of FY 2011, since Councilmember Gary Okino's term in office had ended. Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director Wayne Yoshioka added that the FY 2011 Chair's position should continue to be held by a City Councilmember.

DTS Director Wayne Yoshioka nominated Councilmember Breene Harimoto for the office of Chair for the remainder of FY 2011; Representative Karen Awana seconded the nomination. The nominations were closed. Councilmember Harimoto was elected Chair by acclamation. Councilmember Harimoto assumed the position of Chair.

I. MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 MEETING

There being no objections, the minutes for the September 14, 2010 meeting were accepted as circulated.

III. CONSIDER CHANGES TO CAC BYLAWS

Handout(s): Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws of the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC); ramseyered version of Bylaws of the CAC including proposed amendment

Mr. Gibson stated that, per Councilmember Todd Apo's request at the last Policy Committee meeting, OahuMPO staff investigated the Sunshine Law rule governing the amending of an agenda. OahuMPO staff found that approval of two-thirds of total membership, rather than two-thirds of the membership present, is needed in order to amend the agenda. The CAC is requesting that the Bylaws of the CAC be amended to reflect this correction.

There being no objections, the amendment to the Bylaws of the CAC was approved.

IV. CONSIDER CAC MEMBERSHIP FOR NB #14

Mr. Gibson stated that Neighborhood Board (NB) #14 Liliha-Puunui-Alewa-Kamehameha Heights had fulfilled the CAC membership requirements and is requesting membership.

DTS Director Yoshioka stated that he has dealt with NB #14 in the past; and it has always acted responsibly. He endorsed their membership.

There being no objections, NB #14 was appointed to the CAC.

V. APPOINT TASK FORCE TO ATTEND 2035 ORTP ISLANDWIDE PUBLIC INPUT MEETING ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Mr. Gibson went over the restrictions regarding the attendance of more than two Policy Committee members, but less than a quorum, at the same meeting. Mr. Gibson proposed the forming of a task force to allow more than two members, but less than a quorum, to attend the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) public input meeting.

Representative Marilyn Lee moved and Representative Karen Awana seconded that a task force be created and the members to the task force be named to attend the ORTP 2035 Islandwide Public Input Meeting on February 24. There being no objections, the motion was unanimously approved. The members of the task force are Representative Karen Awana, Councilmember Stanley Chang, Chair Breene Harimoto, and DTS Director Wayne Yoshioka.

[Councilmember Ernest Martin arrived at 1:35 p.m.]

VI. SUMMARY OF DRAFT 2035 ORTP

Handout(s): Public Review Draft ORTP 2035

[Councilmember Romy Cachola arrived at 1:39 p.m.]

Mr. Gibson gave a presentation on the draft ORTP 2035. Mr. Gibson noted that there were mistakes in the draft document and that an errata sheet was included.

VII. SUMMARY OF OAHUMPO'S FFY 2010 OWP ANNUAL REPORT TO FHWA

Handout(s): Summary of OahuMPO's FFY 2010 Overall Work Program (OWP) Annual Report to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Mr. Gibson gave a presentation on the summary of OahuMPO's FFY 2010 OWP Annual Report to FHWA.

VIII. CAC MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

CAC Vice Chair Joseph Magaldi gave a summary of the last four CAC meetings. Mr. Magaldi invited the Policy Committee members to attend the CAC meetings.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS (ANNOUNCEMENTS ONLY)

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.