

Minutes of the
 Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 June 13, 2022
 Virtual Meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams
[Meeting recording](#)

Members Present:

Name	Agency	Voting Rights	Present
Ken Tatsuguchi	HDOT	Yes	X
Masatomo Murata (Vice Chair)	HDOT	Yes	X
Ryan Tam (Chair)	HART	Yes	X
Wai Yi Ng	HART	Yes	X
Yoko Tomita	DTS	Yes	X
Eileen Mark	DTS	Yes	X
Dina Wong	DPP	Yes	X
Andy Yamaguchi	DPP	Yes	X
Joseph Roos	DBEDT	Yes	X
Aaron Setogawa	OPSD	Yes	X
Kimberly Evans	FAA	No	
Ted Matley	FTA	No	
Richard (Lan?) Yoneda	DFM	No	X
Gareth Sakakida	HTA	No	
Tim Trang	DDC	No	
Amy Ford-Wagner	FHWA	No	X

Guests Present: Greg Tsugawa (DTS), Kiana Otsuka (HSEO), Jill Tanabe (HDOT), Patrick Tom (HDOT), Tyler Sugihara (DFM),

OahuMPO Staff Present: Nicki Smith, Joel Vincent, Nicole Cernohorsky, Veronica Schack, Mark Garrity, Lily Zheng, Victoria Treviño, Dallas Ige

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

Recording Time Stamp

I. CALL TO ORDER

(00:08)

Chair Tam called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

II. ROLL CALL (00:20)

OahuMPO staff took roll call by reading out the list of attendees in the meeting as noted in the Teams program. Members confirmed their attendance verbally and indicated whether anyone else was present with them at their remote location.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 13TH MEETING MINUTES (2:38)

Chair Tam requested members review the minutes which were emailed in advance of the meeting. The Chair asked if any members had edits to the minutes and none responded. Chair Tam approved the minutes as presented.

IV. REPORTS (05:28)

A. Executive Director

Executive Director Garrity shared that the FY2023 Overall Work Program Final Draft was endorsed by the Policy Board at their meeting on May 31 and has been sent to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approval.

Director Garrity stated that the next cycle of Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) revisions began on April 11 and a draft TIP revision document went out for public comment and intergovernmental review from May 10 to 24.

A consultant has been selected for the Travel Demand Forecasting Model (TDFM) contract. The contract documents have been approved by the Attorney General's office and a Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued soon. Director Garrity provided updates on the latest meetings of the Policy Board and the Citizen Advisory Committee.

OahuMPO's new Assistant Transportation Planner, Dallas Ige, started on May 16. Dallas brings a background in data analytics and planning and will be supporting a variety of projects including the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The OahuMPO Executive Director attended the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) Planning Tools and Training Symposium in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, held on May 16-19.

The Executive Director's Report can be viewed at:

https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=2654

V. OLD BUSINESS (10:42)

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FFYs 2022-2025 Revision #5 and #6. (10:55)

Nicole Cernohorsky, Transportation Impact Analyst, reviewed the TIP work product and described the kinds of revisions that may be made to the TIP along with their frequency.

Ms. Cernohorsky stated that Revision #4 included minor changes classified as pre-approved administrative modifications and that the revision had already been incorporated into the Statewide TIP.

Ms. Cernohorsky stated that Revision #5 contains changes to one State of Hawaii project and is classified as an expedited administrative modification. Expedited Administrative modifications are minor changes that are not pre-approved and need to be presented to the Policy Board for approval.

Revision #6 is an amendment that involves major changes. Amendments must be released for public & intergovernmental view, must be presented to OahuMPO committees and receive Policy Board approval, must demonstrate fiscal constraint and must include a Title VI and Environmental Justice analysis.

Ms. Cernohorsky stated that Revision #6 amends eight projects, seven for the State of Hawaii and one for the City and County of Honolulu. The State of Hawaii is adding four new projects in Revision #6. Ms. Cernohorsky described each project, noting the changes being made, consistency with ORTP goals, funding type and estimated total project cost.

Ms. Cernohorsky stated that the four new projects being added by the State of Hawaii were scored using evaluation criteria defined in the ORTP, and displayed the scores alongside other scored TIP projects.

For the Title VI Environmental Justice analysis, OahuMPO found that 18% more funds per capita are being spent in T6/EJ areas.

For the public & intergovernmental review, OahuMPO received comments in support of two new sidewalk improvement projects and a coastal mitigation project near Ka'a'awa Elementary School. Five government agencies responded with no comments.

General discussion ensued on how OahuMPO evaluates TIP projects, and how one of the new projects in Revision #6 didn't score well but is a required mitigation project.

Ken Tatsuguchi made a motion and Joe Roos seconded to recommend that the Policy Board approve Revisions #5 and #6 to the FFY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program as presented. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

B. 2022 Certification Review

(37:30)

TAC members held a general discussion on the upcoming 2022 Certification Review with the understanding that Federal Certification Team will provide a detailed presentation in the July meeting.

VII. INVITATION TO INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA (46:48)

None.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS (47:06)

Dina Wong with DPP announced that the Primary Urban Center (PUC) Development Plan is out for public review. Comments are due July 8th. TAC members can learn more at www.pucdp.com

IX. ADJOURNMENT (50:45)

Chair Tam adjourned the meeting at 9:52 am.

The meeting's presentation may be viewed at: https://www.oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=2655.

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**Minutes of the
O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
via Microsoft Teams

Attendance

Organization	Present?	Represented by	Absent?
AARP	X	Elizabeth Chinn	
American Planning Association	X	Jared Chang	
American Society of Civil Engineers	X	Tony Gaston	
Citizens for a Fair ADA ride	X	Donald Sakamoto	
Committee for Balanced Transportation		Joe Magaldi	
Gentry Homes, Ltd.		Deb Luning	
Hawai'i Association of the Blind		Anthony Akamaine	X
Hawai'i Bicycling League		Travis Counsell	X
Hawai'i Teamsters / Allied Workers, Local 996		Wayne Kaululaau	X
Institute of Transportation Engineers		Robert Nehmad	X
Ka'a'awa Community Association	X	Andrea Anixt	
Land Use Research Foundation of Hawai'i	X	David Arakawa	
League of Women Voters		Marcia Linville	X
North Shore Chamber of Commerce		Roxana Jimenez	X
Pacific Resource Partnership		Paul Migliorato	X
Palehua Townhouses		Michael Golojuch	X
Waikiki Residents' Association	X	Daisy Murai	
NB#01 Hawai'i Kai	X	Roberta Mayor	
NB#02 Kuliouou-Kalani Iki		Linda Starr	X
NB#03 Wai'alaie-Kahala		Les Fukuda	X
NB#05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu	X	Bert Narita	
NB#07 Mānoa		Dylan Armstrong	X
NB#08 McCully-Mo'ili'ili		Matthew Prellberg	X
NB#09 Waikiki	X	Kathryn Henski	
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus	X	Fred Nakahara	
NB#11 Ala Moana-Kaka'ako		Lynn Mariano	X
NB#12 Nu'uaniu-Punchbowl		Zack Stoddard	X
NB#13 Downtown/Chinatown	X	Ernest Carvalho	
NB#14 Liliha-Pu'unui- 'Ālewa -Kamehameha Hts	X	Cora Yamamoto	
NB#15 Kalihi- Pālama	X	Kendrick Farm	
NB#18 Āliamanu – Salt Lake		Chace Shigemasa	X
NB#21 Pearl City	X	Larry Veray	
NB#22 Waipahu		Matthew Weyer	X

NB#23 'Ewa		Jannah De La Cruz	X
NB#24 Wai'anae Coast	X	Jo Jordan	
NB#25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu	X	Elise Carmody	
NB#26 Wahiawā-Whitmore Village	X	Joe Francher	
NB #27 North Shore	X	Robert Leinau	
NB#29 Kahalu'u		Ken Levassuer	X
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale	X	Frank Genadio	
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley	X	Dean Hazama	
NB#36 Nānākuli-Ma'ili		Germaine Meyers	X
OahuMPO staff: Mark Garrity Samantha Lara Nicole Cernorhorsky Veronica Schack Dallas Ige Lily Zheng		Guests: Scott Brady Kathleen Rooney	

The meeting was properly noticed per State law.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Because neither the Chair nor Vice Chair was present at the meeting, a motion was made by Kathryn Henski and seconded by Joe Francher to have Samantha Lara preside over the meeting as the Acting Chair. There were no objections or abstentions, so a roll call vote was not necessary, and the motion passed unanimously. Samantha Lara of OahuMPO called the meeting to order at 2:18 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

OahuMPO Transportation Planner Samantha Lara took roll call by reading out the list of attendees in the meeting as noted in the Teams program.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 4, 2022 MINUTES

A motion was made by Larry Veray of NB#21 to approve the minutes for May 4, 2022 and was seconded by Donald Sakamoto of Citizens for a Fair ADA ride. Jo Jordan of NB#24 stated that a correction may be needed since Germaine Meyers of NB#36 resigned in April. Samantha Lara stated that no formal letter of resignation was received. There were no objections or abstentions for approving the minutes as is.

4. REPORTS OF POLICY BOARD AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETINGS

Executive Director Mark Garrity stated that revision #2 of the FY2022 Overall Work Program (OWP) was approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on April 7, 2022. Director Garrity stated that revision #2 of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was jointly approved by the FHWA and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on April 16 and that TIP revision #4 was requested to be incorporated into the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) on May 11. Director Garrity stated that revisions #5 and #6 will be presented to the Policy Board in June.

Director Garrity stated that a consultant was selected for the Travel Demand Forecast Model (TDFM) contract procurement. The final payment was submitted by OahuMPO in April to purchase the NextGen National Household Travel Survey data, which will be used to update the regional travel demand model. Director Garrity stated that a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the ORTP 2050 consultant procurement was issued in May, and proposals are due on June 3, 2022.

Director Garrity stated that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on May 13, where they received a presentation on the final draft of the FY2023 Overall Work Program (OWP) and voted to recommend the Policy Board endorse the document. Director Garrity stated that the TAC also received a presentation from the Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) on newly developed tools to enhance the Statewide Transportation Planning Process. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for June 10th.

Director Garrity stated that the Policy Board met on May 31, where they received a presentation on the OWP FY2023 Final Draft, the HDOT Mid-Range Transportation Plan, and the 2022 HART Recovery Plan. The next Policy Board meeting is scheduled for June 28.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transportation Improvement Program FFYS 2022-2025 Revisions #5 and #6

Nicole Cernohorsky, the Transportation Impact Analyst of OahuMPO provided an overview of the TIP, including its purpose and its distinction from the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP). Ms. Cernohorsky stated that revisions #5 of the TIP contains only one City and County of Honolulu project and that the expedited administrative modifications include updating the estimated project cost, adding a preliminary design phase, and deferring and increasing funds. Ms. Cernohorsky stated that revisions #6 of the TIP are classified as amendments and contain seven state of Hawaii projects and one City and County of Honolulu project. Of the revision #6 projects, Ms. Cernohorsky stated that four are new projects, one is deleted, and 3 are modified. Ms. Cernohorsky reviewed the scores and ranking of the projects.

Roberta Mayor of NB#1 noted that several projects require an increase in funding and inquired on the source of the funding. Ms. Cernohorsky stated that more federal funds will be made available in the coming years, which can be used for surface transportation projects on Oahu. Ms. Cernohorsky also noted that since a project has been deleted from the TIP, funds can be redistributed.

Robert Leinau from NB#27 requested more information on how the TIP is affected in the case of an emergency. Ms. Cernohorsky stated that many funding requirements can be deferred to expedite the funding process in urgent matters. Pat Tom from the State Department of Transportation added that the state and county are allowed to address emergencies immediately using state funds, which will later be reimbursed with Federal Emergency funds. Mr. Tom stated that in these cases, the Federal Emergency funds do not need to be included in the TIP or STIP.

Joe Francher of NB#26 requested more information on the criteria used to evaluate projects in the TIP. Ms. Cernohorsky stated that more information can be found in the ORTP long range plan, in the TIP document, and in the appendix of the TIP revisions.

Andrea Anixt of Ka‘a‘awa Community Association motioned to recommend the Policy Board approve revisions #6 with the encouragement that project OS79 is expedited as much as possible. This motion was seconded by Robert Leinau of NB#27. Frank Genadio of NB#34 objected to this motion and a full roll call vote was taken by Samantha Lara of OahuMPO. The motion to recommend the Policy Board approve revisions #6 was subsequently passed.

Organization	Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstention
AARP	Elizabeth Chinn	X		
American Planning Association	Jared Chang	X		
American Society of Civil Engineers	Tony Gaston	X		
Citizens for a Fair ADA Ride	Donald Sakamoto		X	
Ka‘a‘awa Community Association	Andrea Anixt	X		
Waikiki Residents Association	Daisy Murai	X		
NB#01 Hawai‘i Kai	Roberta Mayor		X	
NB#05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu	Bert Narita	X		
NB#09 Waikiki	Kathryn Henski	X		
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus	Fred Nakahara	X		
NB#13 Downtown/Chinatown	Ernest Caravalho			X
NB#14 Liliha-Pu‘unui- ‘Ālewa -Kamehameha Hts	Cora Yamamoto			X
NB#21 Pearl City	Larry Veray		X	
NB#24 Wai‘anae Coast	Jo Jordan	X		
NB#25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu	Elise Carmody	X		
NB#26 Wahiawā-Whitmore Village	Joe Francher	X		
NB #27 North Shore	Robert Leinau	X		
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale	Frank Genadio		X	
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley	Dean Hazama			X

Jo Jordan of NB#24 motioned to request that the Policy Board approve revisions #5 as is and was seconded by Kathryn Henski of NB#9. There were no objections, and the motion was passed.

B. HART deferment of Pearl Highlands Park & Ride Garage and H2 Off Ramp: Presentation of Resolution from NB#21

Larry Veray of NB#21 presented the resolution drafted by NB#21, which discussed the issue of the HART deferment that impacts many commuters in Central and Leeward Oahu. Mr. Veray stated that the construction of the Pearl Highlands Park & Ride Garage and H2 off ramp should not be deferred partly due to the predicted increase in vehicles and gridlock at the H2/H3 expressway. Mr. Veray stated that this concern is shared by six other neighborhood boards, who voiced their requirements for the construction at the Transportation Study Permitted Interaction Group on November 30, 2019. Mr. Veray recommended a public-private partnership to construct the Pearl Highlands Park & Ride Garage and H2 off ramp be established.

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

Donald Sakamoto announced that the next Honolulu Rate Commission will be held at the Mission Memorial Building on July 12, 2022, between the hours of 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & TENTATIVE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Samantha Lara stated that the CAC attendance policy will begin to take affect starting in July 2022. Ms. Lara stated that members who miss three meetings will be notified by the Executive Director and the CAC board to discuss the organization’s removal from the CAC board. The next CAC meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2022.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Donald Sakamoto motioned to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Joe Francher. The meeting was adjourned by Samantha Laura at 3:17 PM.

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