

Minutes of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 17, 2006, 1:30 p.m.
Department of Transportation Fifth Floor Conference Room
869 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

Members Present:

Toru Hamayasu, Chair	DTS	Kathy Sokugawa	DPP
Glenn Yasui, Vice Chair	DOT	Randolph Hara	DPP
Dean Nakagawa	DOT	Elizabeth Fischer (ex-officio)	FHWA
Alvina Kubo (Alternate)	DTS	A. Ricardo Archilla (ex-officio)	UH

Members Absent:

Pearl Imada Iboshi	DBEDT	Steve Wong (ex-officio)	FAA
(vacant)	DBEDT-OP	Gareth Sakakida (ex-officio)	HTA

Guests Present:

Eileen Mark	DTS	Rich Kane	PRP (CAC)
Charles Carole	(CAC)		

Staff Present: Gordon Lum, Laureen Brennan, and Marian Yasuda.

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. by Chair Toru Hamayasu. A quorum was present.

I. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Kathy Sokugawa moved and Randolph Hara seconded that Glenn Yasui be nominated for the position of TAC Chair. There were no other nominations. Mr. Yasui was elected Chair. He assumed the position of Chair.

Dean Nakagawa moved and Mr. Hara seconded that Toru Hamayasu be nominated for the position of TAC Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. Mr. Hamayasu was elected Vice Chair.

II. MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2006 MEETING

Vice Chair Hamayasu moved and Mr. Nakagawa seconded that the minutes of the May 19, 2006 meeting be approved as circulated. The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. RECOMMENDATION TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENT #6 OF THE FY 2006-2008 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Laureen Brennan presented an overview of the FYs 2006-2008 TIP amendment #6 to revise Project C15: Bus and HandiVan Acquisition Program.

Vice Chair Hamayasu moved and Kathy Sokugawa seconded that the TAC recommend the Policy Committee endorse the FYs 2006-2008 TIP Amendment #6. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS (Announcements Only)

Mr. Lum announced that the Policy Committee would meet on August 25, 2006. On the agenda would be FYs 2006-2008 TIP Amendments #6 and #8; Certificates of Appreciation for CAC members; and Election of Officers.

Mr. Lum introduced Marian Yasuda, a new member of the OMPO staff.

Vice Chair Hamayasu announced that the Department of Transportation Services would be sponsoring a symposium on various rail systems. A number of mainland cities that have rail systems would be represented by their mayors and/or transit operators. There will also be an exhibition area with displays by various vendors.

Chair Yasui announced that the Department of Transportation (DOT) was hosting the annual Western Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (WASHTO) conference. Eighteen states would be represented at the conference.

He also announced that DOT would begin the update of the new Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). It would cover four years and include two out years for information. He noted that there would be a definite shortfall of funds available for the needed projects. He suggested that Patrick Tom be invited to the next meeting to present the STIP development schedule and that OMPO do the same.

Chair Yasui pointed out that the last non-administrative amendment to the present STIP would have to be approved by June 30, 2007. During the period between June 30 and September 30, the anticipated date for the new STIP, no major amendments would be allowed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.