

Minutes of the  
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

Monday, January 7, 2013, 9:30 a.m.  
Honolulu City Council Committee Meeting Room, Room 205  
530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

**Members Present:**

Councilmember Breene Harimoto, Chair		Representative Karen Awana
Representative Ryan Yamane, Vice Chair		Senator Donovan Dela Cruz
Councilmember Carol Fukunaga		Senator Will Espero
Councilmember Joey Manahan		DOT Director Glenn Okimoto
Councilmember Ron Menor		DTS Director Designate Michael Formby
Councilmember Kymberly Pine		

**Member(s) Absent:** Representative Joseph Souki and Senator J. Kalani English

**Guests Present:**

Dennis Galolo (CM Menor)		Mark Au (DTS)
Brian Kanno (CM Menor)		Don Hamada (DTS)
Kiran Polk (CM Pine)		Elizabeth Fischer (FHWA)
Ryan Toyomura (Senator Espero)		Joseph Magaldi, Jr. (CAC, CBT)
Jill Tanabe (DOT)		Tom Smyth (CAC, NB #13)
Patrick Tom (DOT)		

**OahuMPO Staff Present:** Brian Gibson, Lori Arakaki, Pamela Toyooka

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Acting Chair Breene Harimoto. A quorum was present.

**I. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 13, 2012 MEETING**

*The minutes of the June 13, 2012 meetings were unanimously approved as circulated.*

*[Councilmember Carol Fukunaga arrived at 9:40 a.m.]*

**II. ELECTION OF FY 2013 CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

*Senator Will Espero nominated Councilmember Breene Harimoto for the office of Chair for FY 2013; Councilmember Joey Manahan seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. There were no objections. Councilmember Harimoto was elected Chair for FY 2013 by acclamation.*

Chair Harimoto assumed the Chair's position.

*Senator Espero nominated Representative Ryan Yamane for the office of Vice Chair for FY 2013.*

Councilmember Carol Fukunaga noted that the Policy Committee officer from the State usually rotates between the House and Senate. Chair Harimoto stated that that is the prerogative of the State. Senator Espero stated that he would let his motion stand as is.

*Councilmember Manahan seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. There were no objections. Representative Yamane was elected Vice Chair for FY 2013 by acclamation.*

*[Representative Karen Awana arrived at 9:45 a.m.]*

### **III. CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR ELECTIONS**

OahuMPO Executive Director Brian Gibson stated that past practices have been to hold elections by State fiscal year. He stated that, since the State and City elections are held toward the end of the year and the new elected officials take their offices at the end of the year or the beginning of the following year, changing the timing of the Policy Committee elections to calendar year would help reduce the number of Policy Committee elections and help ensure more equal time as Chair and Vice Chair.

*Councilmember Manahan moved and Representative Awana seconded that the Policy Committee elections be held on the first meeting following January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The motion was unanimously carried.*

### **IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) REVISIONS**

*[Handout(s): Draft Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2011-2014 TIP Revision #18 (Pre-Approved Administrative Modification); Draft FFYs 2011-2014 TIP Revision #19 (Expedited Administrative Modification); Draft FFYs 2011-2014 TIP Revision #20 (Amendment)]*

*[Councilmember Kymberly Pine arrived at 9:49 a.m.; Senator Donovan Dela Cruz arrived at 9:54 a.m.]*

Director Gibson stated that the TIP changes being requested by the City & County for FFY 2014 total \$22.824 Million in FHWA funds – \$8.824 million more than the \$14 million available for City projects. The Committee is being informed of this issue in order to prepare for the possibility that the Committee will need to fiscally constrain the TIP when it meets in February 2013 to take action on the TIP revisions.

Chair Harimoto asked Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director Designate Michael Formby to meet with the Council Committee on Transportation regarding this issue. Director Formby agreed to meeting with the Council Committee.

Director Formby stated that he has met with Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) Director Glenn Okimoto about this and thinks there is a resolution to this issue.

Councilmember Pine requested that Director Gibson make a presentation to the Council Transportation Committee. She would like to know how each project in the TIP revision will

affect the quality of life of the people in the respective areas; how much longer they will stay in traffic.

**VI. CAC HIGHLIGHTS**

CAC Chair Joseph Magaldi, Jr., summarized the last five CAC meetings held since the prior Policy Committee meeting.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS (ANNOUNCEMENTS ONLY)**

*There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.*