

Meeting Summary of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 20, 2012, 3:30 p.m.
Mayor's Conference Room 301, Honolulu Hale
530 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

Members Present:

Land Use Research Foundation
AARP
Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii
Hawaii Teamsters and Allied Workers, Local 996
League of Women Voters
Mestizo Association
NB #01 Hawaii Kai
NB #02 Kuliouou-Kalani Iki
NB #03 Waialae-Kahala
NB #05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu-Saint Louis Heights
NB #07 Manoa
NB #10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus
NB #11 Ala Moana-Kakaako
NB #13 Downtown
NB #14 Liliha
NB #18 Aliamanu-Salt Lake-Foster Village
NB #22 Waipahu
NB #23 Ewa
NB #25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu
NB #26 Wahiawa-Whitmore Village
NB #29 Kahaluu
NB #35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley
NB #36 Nanakuli-Maili
Pacific Resource Partnership
Palehua Townhouse Association
Waikiki Residents Association

Dave Arakawa, Vice Chair
Jackie Boland
Laura Kodama
Michael Costa
Marcia Linville
Arvid Youngquist
Greg Knudsen
Linda Starr
Lester Fukuda
Bert Narita
Tom Heinrich
Charles Carole
Larry Hurst
Tom Smyth
Chad Atkins
Constante Domingo
Braunsen Kalaikai
John Gollner
Dick Poirier
Jeanne Ishikawa
Ken LeVasseur
Alan Suwa
Richard Landford
Paul Migliorato
Michael Golojuch
Daisy Murai

Members Absent (Reps):

American Planning Association Hawaii
American Society of Civil Engineers
Citizens for a Fair ADA Ride
Committee for Balanced Transportation
E Noa Corporation
Hawaii Bicycling League
Hawaii Centers for Independent Living
Hui Kupuna VIP

John Valera
Tiffany Hamada
Ronald Pike
Joseph Magaldi, Jr., Chair
Tom Dinell
Chad Taniguchi
Kimo Keawe
Louise Horio

Institute of Transportation Engineers
Leeward Oahu Transportation Management Association
NB #08 McCully-Moiliili
NB #09 Waikiki
NB #15 Kalihi-Palama
NB #21 Pearl City
NB #24 Waianae Coast
NB #34 Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
North Shore Chamber of Commerce
Tax Foundation of Hawaii

I. Robert Nehmad
Wynde Yamamoto
Ron Lockwood
Robert Finley
Fetu Kolio
Cruz J. Vina, Jr.
Bob Smith
Jame Schaedel
Bob Schieve
Randall Hiu

Guests Present:

Debra Luning	Gentry Homes, Ltd.
Harold Senter	Department of Planning and Permitting
David Zevenbergen	Hawaii Department of Transportation
Peter Young	Hookuleana, LLC.
Jaime Farrar	Lyon Associates
Kashmira Reid	Lyon Associates
Tiffany Patrick	Marine Corps Base Hawaii
Rick Egged	Waikiki Improvement Association
Wes Frystacki	Weslin Consulting Services

OahuMPO Staff Present: Brian Gibson and Marian Yasuda

Vice Chair David Arakawa called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. Hawaii Scenic Byways

Vice Chair Arakawa introduced David Zevenbergen, Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT), and Kashmira Reid, Lyon Associates. Mr. Zevenbergen explained that Hawaii's Scenic Byways Program showcases roads throughout Hawaii that have an important story to tell to both local residents and visitors. These corridors embody archaeological, cultural, historical, natural, recreational and/or scenic qualities that community sponsors and government agencies, working in partnership, deem worthy of preserving and promoting.

There are currently four State-designated Byways:

- Holo Holo Koloa Scenic Byway
- Kau Scenic Byway- the Slopes of Mauna Loa
- Royal Footsteps Along the Kona Coast
- Mamalahoa Kona Heritage Corridor

The first step in the process is for a potential Scenic Byway Sponsor to submit an application to the Hawaii Scenic Byways Coordinator to nominate a route for approval as a Hawaii Scenic Byway. If the corridor nomination is approved by HDOT, the Sponsor would then submit an application for designation. At that point, a robust Byway Committee needs to be identified which includes community members, stakeholders, city and state governmental agencies, as well as federal agencies. Once the Byway is designated, the process of developing a Corridor

Management Plan (CMP) would commence.

Discussion Highlights:

[Unless otherwise noted, questions were answered by Mr. Zevenbergen]

- In response to a question by Rick Egged: Ms. Reid stated that in order to apply for federal grant monies, the Byway needs to be, at a minimum, State-designated. Grants for CMP development, planning, safety, and infrastructure improvements are available.
- In response to a question by Linda Starr: A Scenic Byways designation can neither prevent landowners from utilizing their land nor have impacts on land use policy.
- In response to a question by Greg Knudsen: The 2012 application cycle has concluded, but the work in preparing the application can be done in advance of next year's cycle.
- In response to a question by Wes Frystacki: Scenic Byways do not need to be located in populated areas. There does need to be community or grass-roots support to organize and carry out the tasks involved, but they do not have to be physically located in the Byway area.
- In response to a question by Tom Smyth: The sponsor organization has to be a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit, or a state or county agency. The sponsor organization is required to hold a public meeting prior to submitting an application for nomination in an effort to ensure that there is community consensus on the desire to create a byway.
- In response to a question by Ken LeVasseur: Neighborhood Boards are not qualified to be a sponsor organization. They can be a supporting organization.
- In response to a question by Mr. Egged: The minimum length of the byway is recommended to be at least five connected miles.
- In response to a question by Ms. Starr: HDOT is developing the Scenic Byways signage.
- In response to a question by Vice Chair Arakawa: There are two Oahu applications that are being revised and will be resubmitted. One previously accepted nomination for a byway along the Waianae Coast has been tabled while they work on getting stronger community support.
- A comment made by Richard Landford stated the concern on the Waianae Coast about having no alternate access and egress troubled some community members. An increase in traffic would be troublesome without additional access.
- In response to a question by Brian Gibson: Once the byway is designated, The Byway Committee will work on the CMP, which is a living document used to identify projects and maintenance within the corridor.
- In response to a question by Marcia Linville: Information about Hawaii's existing byways is on the website at <http://www.hawaiiscenicbyways.org/>.
- In response to a question by Jeanne Ishikawa: There is no application fee. Once the byway has been designated, the CMP development usually requires a traffic safety analysis and the services of an engineer consultant.

2. Approval of the May 16, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved as circulated.

3. Issues Investigation Committee (IIC) Report – Complete Streets

Lester Fukuda reported that the IIC met on Friday, June 8 at OahuMPO. The IIC is currently reviewing a draft checklist, to be vetted by partner agencies and then brought before the CAC. The checklist will ultimately be a tool used by the CAC in its review of projects proposed for inclusion in OahuMPO plans or programs.

4. OahuMPO Meeting Highlights

Marian Yasuda stated that the Technical Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, May 29, 2012. At that meeting, they:

- Made a recommendation on the draft FYs 2013-2014 Overall Work Program (OWP)
- Heard a presentation on the OahuMPO performance measures for the ORTP 2040
- Heard a summary of the Climate Change Report

The Policy Committee met on Wednesday, June 13. At that meeting, they:

- Presented Certificates of Appreciation to CAC organizations with exemplary attendance in 2011:
 - Citizens for a Fair ADA Ride
 - Committee for Balanced Transportation
 - Hawaii Teamsters and Allied Workers, Local 996
 - Institute of Transportation Engineers
 - League of Women Voters
 - NB#02 Kuliouou Kalani Iki
 - NB#05 Diamond Head-Kapahulu-St Louis Heights
 - NB#07 Manoa
 - NB#13 Downtown
 - NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
 - Waikiki Residents Association
- Approved FYs 2013-2014 OWP
- Approved Revision #14 to the FFYs 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program
- Approved the CAC membership application from Palehua Townhouse Association
- Heard a summary of the Climate Change Report

The Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, June 26 at 10:00 a.m. in the Department of Transportation 5th Floor Conference Room. At that meeting, it is likely that they will:

- Hear the 2040 population and employment projections for Oahu by the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
- Hear a presentation on the Land Use Model by Urban Analytics

5. Other Business

There was no other business

6. Announcements

Mr. Gibson announced that the FYs 2013-2014 OWP has been approved by the Policy Committee. Work on the FYs 2014-2015 OWP will begin soon; the opportunity to serve on the subcommittee will be made available at the July CAC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.