

Minutes of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
August 11, 2023
Virtual Meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Name	Agency	Voting Rights	Present
Wai Yi Ng (Chair)	HART	Yes	x
Masatomo Murata (Vice Chair)	HDOT	Yes	x
Ken Tatsuguchi	HDOT	Yes	x
Dennis Lovello	HART	Yes	x
Mark Au	DTS	Yes	x
Marisa Ideta	DTS	Yes	x
Dina Wong	DPP	Yes	x
Min Bu	DPP	Yes	x
Joseph Roos	DBEDT	Yes	x
Aaron Setogawa	OPSD	Yes	x
Kimberly Evans	FAA	No	x
Mervin Acebo	FTA	No	x
Richard Yoneda	DFM	No	
Gareth Sakakida	HTA	No	x
Tim Trang	DDC	No	
Amy Ford-Wagner	FHWA	No	

Guests Present: Greg Tsugawa (DTS), Max Kalhammer (DTS), Katie Rooney (Ulupono), Catie Cullison (PBR), Graeme Masterton (Stantec), Peter Garino (DTS), Kiana Otsuka (HSEO), James Francucci (HSEO), Kayla Palmer (PBR), Paul La Farga (FHWA), Renee Yamasaki (DTS)

OahuMPO Staff Present: Danelle Miyahara, Joel Vincent, Nicole Smith, Mark Garrity, Dallas Ige, Chelsea Dau, Samantha Lara

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ng called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

II. ROLL CALL

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.

III. APPROVAL OF THE JULY 14, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Chair Ng requested members review the minutes which were emailed in advance of the meeting. Chair Ng asked if any members had edits to the minutes and none responded. Aaron Setogawa made a motion, Mark Au seconded, and the minutes were approved as distributed.

IV. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

Director Garrity provided updates on OahuMPO's Subrecipient Award and Monitoring Procedures, community engagement for the ORTP 2050, the 2023 Hawaii Commute Challenge, and the 2023 Transportation Project Management Training Program.

Director Garrity reported on the business conducted at the July 25th meeting of the Policy Board and reported on business conducted at the CAC meeting on August 2nd. Director Garrity shared that the next Policy Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 29th at 1:00 p.m. and that the next CAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 6th at 2:30 p.m.

The Executive Director's Report can be viewed at:

https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3075

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Overall Work Program Planning Study Presentation – Transit Rider Survey I

Graeme Masterton with Stantec provided the presentation on behalf of DTS, reviewing the survey methodologies, surveys results, analysis and discussion. The key activities/deliverables included a Market Research Study, Stated Preference Survey, Onboard Survey and Honolulu Enriched Ridership Data dashboard. Mr. Masterton noted when the survey was done and its main objectives.

For the Stated Preference Survey results, user experience and cost are the major contributing factors that lead existing transit users to continue using TheBus, while

user experience and travel time are the leading factors that lead people to not use transit.

For the Onboard Survey done between October 2021 and January 2022, key findings included that ridership was driven by residents, most transit purposes were home-based, over 80% of transit trips were one-seat rides, and travel was not concentrated to a specific time period.

The Honolulu Enriched Ridership Dashboard analyzed data from October 2021 to December 2021 and identified transfer frequency, routes and stops with the most transfers, and the top thirty routes.

Mr. Masterton provided an analysis of the next steps that could be taken by the transit system to gain new ridership and retain existing ridership based on the survey results.

Mr. Masterton responded to questions about a possible micro transit pilot, and the cost of potential improvements.

Andya Yamaguchi made a motion and Mark Au seconded to recommend the Policy Board approve the report as evidence that the work was carried out, submit the final report to the USDOT for approval, and incorporate study findings into the metropolitan transportation planning process. There were no objections and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2050 Update on Vision and Goals

Catie Cullison with PBR Hawaii, the lead consultant for the ORTP 2050, stated that OahuMPO and the consultant had shared the updated vision and goals with the TAC in the July meeting and in this meeting would be asking the committee to reaffirm the draft goals before requesting Policy Board endorsement. She stated that there was positive feedback to the vision and goals shared in July with no suggestions for changes or adjustments.

Ms. Cullison displayed the seven goals, noting that they are similar to the 2045 goals but with more active language. In the July presentation, two options were provided for Goal 1 regarding safety. OahuMPO is moving forward with the goal in orange text on the slide that makes stronger commitment to a Vision Zero system. Ms. Cullison stated that the next step will be to identify measurable objectives to support these goals.

Ken Tatsuguchi made a motion and Joseph Roos seconded to recommend that the Policy Board approve the ORTP 2050 Vision and Goals as presented and direct the OahuMPO staff and consultants to develop measurable objectives that support the Vision and Goals. There were no objections and the motion passed.

VII. INVITATION TO INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA

None.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Garrity announced that the August 29th Policy Board meeting will be a hybrid meeting hosted at the Mayor's Conference Room in Honolulu Hale with the option to join remotely.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ng adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am. The meeting's presentation may be viewed at:

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