Minutes of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 13, 2023 Virtual Meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

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

Guests Present: Max Kalhammer (DTS)

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

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Murata called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Vice Chair Murata requested members review the minutes which were emailed in advance of the meeting. Vice Chair Murata asked if any members had edits to the minutes and none responded. The minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

Executive Director Mark Garrity noted that the Overall Work Program (OWP) FY23 4th quarter report and the OWP FY24 1st quarter report were both attached to the report.

He stated that OahuMPO is working on a proposed update to the Finance Supplemental Agreement which will include an increase in member dues from \$143,740 to \$155,000 per partner. The updated Finance Supplemental Agreement will circulate for review and signature in early 2924.

Director Garrity also shared that OahuMPO staff recently collaborated with staff from the Hawaii State Energy Office for an outreach event at Honouliuli Middle School in West Oahu.

Director Garrity reported on the business conducted at the October 31st meeting of the Policy Board and reported on business conducted at the November 1st meeting of the Citizen Advisory Committee. Director Garrity shared that the next Policy Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28th at 1:00 p.m. and that the next CAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6th at 2:30 p.m.

The Executive Director's Report can be viewed at: https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3164

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Project Management Training Program and Mobile Workshop

Executive Director Mark Garrity reviewed the purpose, goals, schedule OahuMPO Technical Advisory Committee 11/13/23

curriculum and funding for the Project Management Training Program. He thanked all the people from Honolulu and the mainland who participated as speakers. He described the Mobile Workshop that took place in Seattle and Portland in October. He then described the findings of two participant surveys which indicate that the program successfully met the goal of increasing capacity and confidence among staff regarding the use of federal funds for transportation projects.

Several TAC members shared how the training program impacted them or their colleagues positively and thanked OahuMPO staff for putting it on.

B. Oahu Regional Transportation Plan - ORTP 2050

Executive Director Garrity provided an update on the development of the objectives and performance measures that will support the Policy Board-approved Visions and Goals for the ORTP 2050. He described the scenario planning work underway, which will compare alternative transportation and land use futures, and create a basis for recommended ORTP 2050 policies and projects. He explained how scenario planning and performance measures will inform the plan and described the scenario planning process and schedule.

C. Carbon Reduction Program

Director Garrity summarized the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) as a new formula funding program of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law which provides funds for projects designed to reduce transportation emissions. He reviewed project eligibility and coordination requirements, noting that in Transportation Management Areas, MPOs have selection authority in consultation with the State and public transit operator. Director Garrity stated that the CRP requires States to develop a Carbon Reduction Strategy in consultation with MPOs and update it every four years. He noted that the HDOT had requested an extension on that deadline, and that OahuMPO would update the TAC on the status of the CRP going forward.

There was general discussion amongst TAC members on recipient eligibility. It was confirmed that the TIP process will facilitate decision-making by the Policy Board on CRP funds.

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

None.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amy Ford-Wagner recommended that OahuMPO and partners look into funding available through the EPA.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Murata adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am. The meeting's presentation may be viewed at: https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb dl=3165