Minutes of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 14, 2024

Virtual Meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Name	Agency	Voting Rights	Present
lan Crittenden (Chair)	DTS	Yes	Х
Masatomo Murata (Vice Chair)	HDOT	Yes	Х
Pat Tom	HDOT	Yes	х
Dennis Lovello	HART	Yes	
Joey Manahan	HART	Yes	
Eileen Mark	DTS	Yes	х
Andy Yamaguchi	DPP	Yes	х
Noelle Cole	DPP	Yes	х
Joseph Roos	DBEDT	Yes	
Ruby Edwards	OPSD	Yes	х
Kimberly Evans	FAA	No	х
Mary Nguyen	FTA	No	
Richard Yoneda	DFM	No	
Kelvin Kohatsu	HTA	No	
Tim Trang	DDC	No	
Paul La Farga	FHWA	No	Х

Guests Present: Max Kalhammer (DTS), Derek Abe (Alta), Greg Tsugawa (DTS), Celine Chen (FTA), Alexander Stearn (FTA), Jose Marquez (DTS)

OahuMPO Staff Present: Nicole Smith, Dallas Ige, Chelsea Dau, Joel Vincent, Lily Zheng, Maile Greenhill, Samantha Lara, Zakari Mumuni

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Crittenden called the meeting to order at 9:05 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 MAY 10, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Chair Crittenden requested members review the minutes which were emailed in advance of the meeting. The Chair asked if any members had edits to the minutes and none responded. Noelle Cole made a motion and Ruby Edwards seconded to approve the May 10, 2024 minutes as distributed. The minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

Executive Director Garrity provided updates on Workforce Development and Training, Community Outreach and Volunteering, Legislation Update, Transportation Safety research, and the business conducted at the Policy Board meeting on May 28 and the Citizen Advisory Committee meeting on June 5.

The Executive Director's Report can be viewed at: https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb dl=3321

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Regional Transit Safety Targets for 2024

DTS' Chief Safety and Security Officer Jose Marquez summarized the Public Transportation Safety Plan requirements found in 49 C.F.R Part 673. He described the seven target categories of transit safety performance and the associated objectives. Mr. Marquez described the 2024 targets for each category for bus, paratransit and rail as shown on the slide.

Ruby Edwards made a motion and Noelle Cole seconded to recommend that the Policy Board support DTS' Transit Safety targets and direct OahuMPO staff to incorporate them into the metropolitan transportation planning process. There were no abstentions or objections and the motion passed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FFYs 2025-2028

Dallas Ige, OahuMPO Senior Transportation Planner, described the TIP as a short-term list of transportation projects and programs that covers a period of four years, is updated every three years, and updated twice annually or as needed.

Mr. Ige stated that the TIP FFYs 2025-2026 consists of 80 projects and programs carried forward from the current TIP, and 12 new projects from the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP). He described the key requirements of the TIP, including consistency with the long-range plan, demonstration of fiscal constraint and a public review and comment period. Mr. Ige noted that for the first time, OahuMPO verified consistency with the ORTP by evaluating all 92 projects and programs, rather than only the new projects and programs.

Mr. Ige shared the results of the Title VI/Environmental Justice Analysis, the financial tables demonstrating fiscal constraint, and described the intergovernmental and public review period.

Mr. Ige then described the twelve new projects noting the type of work to be done, the funding source and the estimated total project cost.

Noelle Cole made a motion and Ruby Edwards seconded to recommend that the Policy Board approve the TIP FFYs 2025-2028 as presented. There were no abstentions or objections and the motion passed.

B. Overall Work Program (OWP) Presentation – Mobility Hub Study Phase I (State Facilities)

Kiana Otsuka, OahuMPO Senior Transportation Planner, described the purpose and need for this study, noting that Hawaii is facing several transportation challenges and there's a huge opportunity to convert short trips to alternative transportation modes. She stated that OahuMPO partnered with the Hawaii Climate Commission and the Hawaii State Energy Office to complete the study.

Derek Abe, Senior Planning Associate with Alta Planning & Design, described the study methodology which included identifying land use typologies, collecting data, and developing a social climate vulnerability index. Locations classified as small, medium, large were given prioritization scores that reflect the area's suitability for a future mobility hub. Mr. Abe showed maps of the small, medium and large priority locations color coded by suitability score with the specific sites (e.g. public school parking lots) identified by blue dots.

Mr. Abe stated that the considerations for the siting of a mobility hub included location, existing policies, rights of way, known unknowns, and meaningful engagement.

Ms. Otsuka explained how this study connects to OahuMPO's federally required work products (OWP, ORTP and TIP), and described the immediate next steps the MPO could take to pursue the development of mobility hubs at the high priority sites identified in this study.

Ms. Otsuka and Mr. Abe responded to questions from the TAC regarding how the sites were analyzed.

Ruby Edwards made a motion and Andy Yamaguchi seconded to recommend the Policy Board approve the report as evidence that the work was carried out, submit documentation of the work completed to the USDOT for approval, and incorporate study findings into the metropolitan transportation planning process. There were no abstentions or 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

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chair lan Crittenden adjourned the meeting at 9:54am. The meeting presentation may be viewed at: https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3320