Meeting Minutes of the
O‘ahu Metropolitan Planning Organization

POLICY BOARD
Monday, September 28, 2026, 1:00 PM
Virtual Meeting hosted on Zoom and in person at
O‘ahuMPO
707 Richards Street, Suite 200
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

***Voting* Members Present:**
Councilmember Val Okimoto (Chair)
Councilmember Radiant Cordero
Senator Sharon Moriwaki
Representative Lisa Kitagawa
HDOT Deputy Director Tammy Lee
DTS Deputy Director Hong Li
DPP TOD Administrator Tim Streitz

***Non-Voting* Members Present:**
DOH Primary Prevention Branch Chief
Heidi Hansen-Smith
OPSD Land Use Administrator Leo Asuncion

Members *Not Present:*
Representative Darius Kila (Vice Chair)
Senator Chris Lee
Councilmember Tyler Dos Santos-Tam
HART Exec. Director/CEO Lori Kahikina
FHWA Administrator Richelle Takara

***Known* Guests Present:**
Aaron Kozuki
Anna (Maui MPO)
Charles (DTS)
Daniel Alexander
Dre Lugo
E. Mark
G. Kennedy
Jame Schadel
Jose Velazquez
Krae Stieffenhofer
Marisa Ideta
Robert Sato
SB
Tricia Malloy
WN

O‘ahuMPO Staff Present:
Executive Director Mark Garrity, Alan Tong, Chelsea Dau, Dallas Ige, Danelle Miyahara, Emily Cristobal, Joel Vincent, Kiana Otsuka, Lily Zheng, Maile Greenhill, Nicole Smith

I. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL

Chair Okimoto called the meeting to order at 1:02PM. Chair Okimoto mentioned the meeting is being recorded and reminded members to mute their mics when not speaking and to keep their cameras on as a quorum of six members must be visible for the duration of the meeting as required by Sunshine Law.

Roll call was taken of Policy Board members present, and a quorum was established. Chair Okimoto and the Oʻahu MPO staff monitored cameras to ensure members had their cameras on during the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 31, 2026, POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Policy Board members reviewed the meeting minutes of the August 31, 2026, meeting which were sent to them in advance of the meeting.

A motion was made by Senator Moriwaki and seconded by Representative Kitagawa, to approve the August 31, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. There were no discussions, objections, or abstentions, and the minutes were approved.

III. REPORTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Oʻahu MPO Executive Director (ED), Mark Garrity, provided a summary of recent activities at the Oʻahu MPO, including the Status of Federal Funding and Approvals, Update on TMA Certification Review, Update on Executive Director Search, Community Outreach, Launch of Oʻahu MPO Youth Engagement Mascot, Professional Development and Training, and the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting updates for the month of September.

A copy of ED Garrity's report is available on the Oʻahu MPO webpage: https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3781

IV. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Planning Study Close Out Presentation: Transit Asset Management Plan Update

The City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Project Manager, Marisa Ideta, and Kimley-Horn consultants, Aaron Kozuki and Krae Stieffenhofer, presented an update on the 2026 Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, which expands the 2022 plan and now incorporates Skyline rail assets along with bus and paratransit. They summarized the updated $4B asset inventory, reported an overall system condition rating of 4.44 ("good"), and reviewed long-term capital needs under both unconstrained and budget-limited scenarios. The team also outlined the gap analysis and implementation plan, including process improvements, staffing needs, KPIs, and annual activities to support ongoing asset management.

Senator Moriwaki asked whether the TAM Plan's action plan and resource planning identify specific steps DTS should take over time to avoid major replacement costs projected in the 2040s. Mr. Stieffenhofer responded that the plan outlines annual monitoring activities and ongoing analyses to help DTS maintain assets in a state of good repair, noting that DTS is currently in good condition because most assets are new but will face larger replacement

needs after 15–20 years. Mr. Kozuki added that DTS should err on the conservative side by including assets in the TAM inventory even when capital responsibility is shared or partial, ensuring those assets are captured and reported.

Councilmember Cordero asked how the TAM policy applies when DTS does not have full initial capital responsibility for certain transit projects. Mr. Kozuki explained that including such assets is standard practice, especially when DTS is the reporting entity. Mr. Stieffenhofer added that overlapping responsibilities are common in other jurisdictions and can be addressed through continued coordination as asset management programs mature.

A motion to approve the Transit Asset Management Plan Update 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 was made by Senator Moriwaki and seconded by DTS Deputy Director Li. The motion passed unanimously.

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

There was no public testimony.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

O‘ahuMPO staff stated for the record that public testimony was received this morning and has been distributed to Policy Board members via email and posted on the O‘ahuMPO website.

Executive Director Garrity noted that a Special Policy Board meeting is scheduled for October 8, and should already appear on Policy Board members’ calendars. This reminder was provided to ensure the larger group was aware of the upcoming meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Okimoto thanked everyone for their participation and attendance at the Policy Board meeting today. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Okimoto at 1:35 PM.

The PowerPoint for this meeting may be viewed at:
https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3783