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Resolution of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO)  
Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Relating to Complete Streets

Date: 24 February 2016

WHEREAS, It is the purpose and duty of the OMPO CAC to advise the OMPO Policy Board on matters affecting federally funded transportation projects within the metropolitan planning area, which includes Oahu's Primary Urban Center (PUC);

WHEREAS, the Revised Charter of Honolulu, by a substantial proportion of the electorate, was amended in 2006 to make it a priority that Honolulu become a bicycle and pedestrian friendly city;

WHEREAS, it has been a long-standing position of the CAC, which represents a broad and diverse array of citizen groups on Oahu, to support sustainable transportation in the expenditure of federal funds for surface transportation;

WHEREAS, OMPO has consistently supported Complete Streets measures at both the state and municipal levels as matters of sound urban planning, environmental protection, and fiscal responsibility;

WHEREAS, two bills currently before the Honolulu City Council, now in second reading, Bill 84 CD1(2015) and Bill 8(2016) have the effect of rendering Honolulu's Complete Streets Ordinance (ROH Chapter 14, Article 33) virtually ineffective by reason of requiring any complete streets project to meet insurmountable administrative burdens; and,

WHEREAS, the asserted justification for these measures is to improve the public dialog with affected communities and members of the City Council; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED that by an affirmative vote of this committee, the CAC supports effective public involvement in the implementation of complete streets, provided that the required processes further the systematic implementation of complete streets in Honolulu;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Policy Board is recommended to advance this position with the Honolulu City Council, especially regarding those projects making use of federal surface transportation funds, to support sustainable transportation and Complete Streets projects on Oahu; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the members of the OMPO Policy Board, the director the Department of Transportation Services, each member of the City Council, and the Mayor.