

**Minutes of the
Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 2:30 p.m.**

Organization	Present	Represented by	Absent
AARP	X	Elizabeth Chinn	
American Planning Association		Matthew Fernandez	X
American Society of Civil Engineers		Tony Gaston	X
Citizens for a Fair ADA ride	X	Donald Sakamoto	
Hawaii Association of the Blind	X	Kyle Laconsay	
Hawaii Bicycling League	X	Eduardo Hernandez	
Hawaii Teamsters / Allied Workers, Local 996	X	David Aki	
Institute of Transportation Engineers	X	Jasmine Teramae-Kaehuaea	
Kaaawa Community Association	X	Andrea Anixt	
Palehua Townhouses	X	Michael Golojuch	
Ulupono Initiative	X	Kathleen Rooney	
Waikiki Residents' Association	X	Daisy Murai	
NB#01 Hawaii Kai	X	Roberta Mayor	
NB#8 McCully–Mo'ili'ili		Matthew Prellberg	X
NB#09 Waikiki		Kenneth Jacob	X
NB#10 Makiki-Lower Punchbowl-Tantalus		Adam Kirchmann	X
NB #11 Ala Moana-Kaka'ako		Jeanne Rice	X
NB#12 Nuuanu Punchbowl	X	Rae Gee	
NB#14 Liliha-Puunui- Alewa -Kamehameha Hts		Cora Yamamoto	X
NB#18 Aliamanu – Salt Lake	X	James Gauer	
NB#21 Pearl City	X	Daniel Smith	
NB#23 Ewa	X	John Rogers	
NB#25 Mililani-Waipio-Melemanu		Ed Flores	X
NB#26 Wahiawa-Whitmore Village	X	Joe Francher	
NB #27 North Shore	X	Robert Leinau	
NB#29 Kahaluu	X	Ken LeVasseur	
NB#30 Kaneohe	X	Adriel Lam	
NB#34 Makakilo-Kapolei Honokai Hale	X	Frank Genadio	
NB#35 Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley	X	Dean Hazama	
NB#36 Nanakuli-Maili		Richard Landford	X

OahuMPO staff: Mark Garrity Victoria Treviño Alan Tong Nicole Smith Lily Zheng Dallas Ige Maile Greenhill Emily Cristobal Kiana Otsuka	Guests: Scott Brady - DTS Winston Welch – NB#5
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Katie Rooney called the meeting to order at 2:31 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

OahuMPO Community Planner Emily Cristobal, took roll call by reading out the list of attendees in the meeting as noted in the Teams program.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 4, 2026 MINUTES

This agenda item was incorrectly listed, it should have been the minutes for April 4, 2026 not March 4, 2026. Because it was incorrectly listed on the agenda, approval of the April and June meeting minutes will take place during July’s CAC meeting.

4. REPORTS OF POLICY BOARD AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

OahuMPO Executive Director Mark Garrity shared updates about several outreach events staff conducted for the Urban Honolulu (Kapahulu) Mobility Hub Study. He described a pop-up at the Waikiki-Kapahulu Public Library, an informational presentation at Neighborhood Board #5 meeting, and a community meeting that was hosted at Kaimuki High School.

He also described the professional development of Senior Transportation Planner, Kiana Otsuka, and Assistant Transportation Planner, Victoria Treviño, who attended the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Executive Director Garrity clarified that the Policy Board meeting time was changed to 10am-11:30am on Monday, June 29.

The Executive Director’s Report can be viewed at https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3702

David Aki attended the West Oahu outreach event and thanked OahuMPO staff for their role in the activity and for their work in holding community meetings.

Joseph Francher asked about the process of OahuMPO presenting at #NB26 to talk about the work the organization does. Staff replied that this is possible.

Winston Welch thanked OahuMPO for presenting at NB#5 about the Urban Honolulu Mobility Hub Study. He expressed that there were concerns among the board members about the recommended sites and encouraged continued meetings with the community and the board in this process.

Donald Sakamoto suggested that OahuMPO do a similar pop-up of the Urban Honolulu Mobility Hub Study at the Hawaii Library for the Blind and Print Disabled to further engage with this community. OahuMPO thought this was a great idea and said they would work to plan a similar engagement event.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FFYs 2025-2028 Revision 9 Public Review Draft

OahuMPO Transportation Planner Maile Greenhill, who manages the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), presented on the TIP FFYs 2025-28 Revision 9 Update. The presentation detailed information on the contents of the revision, which is an Amendment involving the removal of 1 existing project, and the addition of 9 new projects from the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP). The public review and comment period is underway for two weeks (June 3rd-17th). Comments can be submitted via email or through the OahuMPO website's interactive TIP. OahuMPO will provide responses to comments at the July CAC meeting.

David Aki said he has three issues. 1) With hurricane season coming, he was wondering the possibility of funding future endeavors for road and highway inspections, 2) Last year, the city bought 400 electric buses and mentioned 10 or 12 possible locations. He is wondering if anyone knows where these locations are? 3) Education and safety were brought up by the federal transit administration. He thinks that we are going to need a lot more education for bus drivers operating these electric buses.

Donald Sakamoto said he lives on the Windward side and asked why the project on the H-3 was removed. Ms. Greenhill said that the culvert washed away, so they aren't able to move forward with the project. So, the project was removed from the TIP and will be reassessed.

Daniel Smith asked if OS-26-20 includes adding benches at bus stops? Ms. Greenhill said yes, it can include bus stop amenities. At this stage, it's a planning study so it'll be exploring a wide range of options. He also asked about the Pearl

Harbor trail. He said it was washed out in several places. He asked who is responsible for maintenance and repairs? Executive Director Garrity said we'll look into it because it depends on the location. The state and city are in charge of specific locations. Mr. Smith said he thinks it's severe enough that it can be moved more mauka.

Adriel Lam asked about the culvert being washed out and how long it would take to address this issue. Ms. Greenhill said she will follow up with HDOT.

John Rogers asked about 26-21 – more monitoring for bicycle and pedestrian counting stations. He asked if the counting will be electronic or manual and if the public will be informed where that is happening?

Nicki Smith (OahuMPO) said they are replacing the batteries for the counters installed in the first four phases. The OahuMPO is also funding the cloud-based system software to bring data.

Scott Brady (DTS) said there are now 43 permanent stations in service. They installed one last week on Piikoi, Beretania. They are still planning to do additional sites and King Street replacements. North King bike path will include counters when the project gets executed. Halawa Station and Pearl Harbor will also have 2 bike/ped counters. They will have counters on both sides, commuters versus visitor center. Phase 5 will mostly be battery replacement. Chair Rooney asked if there are any plans to integrate bike/ped counting technologies into general traffic counting. Mr. Brady said OahuMPO is more involved in permanent sites. DTS initiated a cyclical counting program for pedestrians. It's a 3-year cycle at about 17 sites. He said it's eventually going to be video based. The City offered to share data with the State to have overall counts. The data is available on the DTS website.

Frank Genadio asked if screen line counters could be placed in front of the Easter Seals in Makakilo. Mr. Brady said there are several HDOT counters on Makakilo Drive, adding that the data is on the public viewer. Mr. Genadio said that there are no counters between the H-1 exit and first stoplight. Mr. Brady said the OahuMPO can request that or suggested asking their City Councilmember to put in a request.

Bob Leinau added that following the North Shore flooding, lots of areas need to be repaired. He said that rescue people couldn't get through closed roads and people couldn't exit. He thinks that the roads may need to be elevated and is wondering if anyone is looking into it. He added that the TIP includes rock wall mitigation at Waimea Bay. He is curious if a project gets elevated to an emergency how does it get funded? Ms. Greenhill said emergencies don't have to be in the TIP. Sometimes it is added retroactively. Emergency funds are a separate source.

7. INVITATION TO INTERESTED MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA

Adriel Lam mentioned that Kapaa Quarry Road always get flooded. Many services are accessed through that road, it's also an alternate route for congestion. Are there plans to address this for development?

Bob Leinau wanted to share a positive note that he's heard from others. He said that many people like when the bus uses the shaka sign. It makes people feel good about practicing good driving.

Eduardo Hernandez thanked everyone who participated in this year's Bike Month activities. He also thanked OahuMPO and the city's support with some of the events. Today is World Bicycle Day. To continue the tradition, he said Hawaii Bicycling League is gathering at 4:30pm at Kakaako Waterfront Park to celebrate.

Daniel Smith was wondering why an alternate route to the backdoor of Makakilo hasn't been done. He said that Pearl City had received an appropriation to study an alternate route for Palisades.

Donald Sakamoto announced that Citizens for Fair ADA ride is having a meeting with HNL Skyline, The Bus, and Paratransit from 9:45AM-11:45AM on Friday. He asked if OahuMPO could send out a reminder to the CAC, which staff said they would do after the meeting.

Bob Leinau said the Army should go in and renovate Drum Road. When the access road comes up and there's no way in/out. Drum Road is an option but too dangerous.

Suwan Shen said APA Hawaii is looking for any updates that the planning societies can assist with. They are happy to collaborate on future planning related to multimodal transportation.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS & TENTATIVE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Executive Director Garrity announced that next week OahuMPO has their FHWA-FTA certification review. The CAC Chair and Vice Chair will be interviewed by federal partners regarding the planning processes for our region. The OahuMPO is accepting public comments on our website. The deadline for comments is Friday, June 26. Chair Rooney said that if there are things members would like them to convey to federal partners they could send it to either herself or Mr. Lam.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Rooney adjourned the meeting at 3:24 PM.

The PowerPoint for this meeting may be viewed at:

https://oahumpo.org/?wpfb_dl=3701