



## RESOLUTION

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URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO RE-EVALUATE ITS PROPOSED PLANS TO CHANGE BUS FREQUENCY AND BUS ROUTES ON OAHU AND TO MAINTAIN EXISTING PEAK FREQUENCY IN AREAS THAT SERVE THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF STUDENTS AND THE ELDERLY.

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation Services (DTS), in conjunction with Oahu Transit Services, Inc. (OTS), is proposing route changes for TheBus to become effective in June and August of this year; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes affect several parts of Oahu, including East Honolulu, Windward Oahu, the North Shore, Central Oahu, Ewa, and the Waianae Coast; and

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to bus frequency and/or bus routes are supposedly designed to make better use of the City's transportation resources by tailoring service to actual usage, saving money on operating expenses where possible to avoid the need to raise fares while maintaining acceptable service; and

WHEREAS, changes include moving routes to different streets, eliminating two routes, Route 231 in Hawaii Kai and Route B from Kalihi to Waikiki, and reducing frequency of service—how often buses come to a specified location in the community; and

WHEREAS, under the proposed change to frequency of service, of particular concern is the proposed reduction relating to Route 5 Manoa to Ala Moana Center, which would change the peak frequency to 55 minutes or approximately one hour; and

WHEREAS, a bus with a frequency of service of one hour is not an attractive alternative to many students and elderly who rely on TheBus to travel to and from work or school or shopping; and

WHEREAS, instead of taking the simplistic approach of reducing service, to better meet demand, the impact of further aggravating an already difficult bus commute for students and the elderly should also be evaluated; and

WHEREAS, both DTS and OTS have indicated that they are taking these proposed changes to the affected communities to inform them of these changes and to determine whether there is a need to address issues that were not thoroughly reviewed and discussed in the planning process; now, therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the City Administration is urged to re-evaluate its proposed plans to change the bus frequency and bus routes on Oahu and to maintain the existing peak frequency on those routes that especially serve the transportation needs of students, workers, and the elderly; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Director of the Department of Transportation Services and President of Oahu Transit Services, Inc.

INTRODUCED BY:

Ann Kobayashi

Tulsi Gabbard

Ernest Martin

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

May 17, 2012  
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII  
CERTIFICATE

**RESOLUTION 12-123, CD1**

Introduced: 05/17/12 By: ANN KOBAYASHI

Committee: TRANSPORTATION

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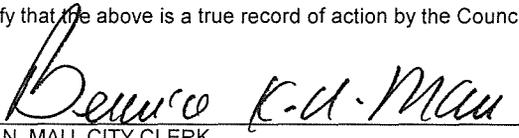
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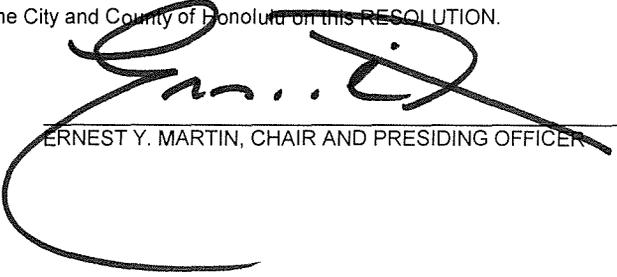
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TRANSPORTATION	05/24/12	CR-204 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN <u>CD1</u> FORM.							
COUNCIL	06/06/12	CR-204 AND RESOLUTION 12-123, CD1 WERE ADOPTED.							
ANDERSON	Y	BERG	Y	CACHOLA	Y	CHANG	Y	GABBARD	Y
GARCIA	Y	HARIMOTO	Y	KOBAYASHI	Y	MARTIN	Y		

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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

  
BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK

  
ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER