



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3077

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Voting Members:

Joey Manahan, Chair
Ann H. Kobayashi, Vice Chair
Brandon J.C. Elefante
Ron Menor
Kymberly Marcos Pine

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM
2ND FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Transportation was called to order by Committee Chair Joey Manahan at 1:35 p.m. Voting Members Kobayashi, Menor and Pine were present at the meeting. Voting Member Elefante was excused from the meeting. Nonvoting Member Councilmember Fukunaga also attended the meeting.

STAFF PRESENT

Valerie Sadural, Legislative Aide to Committee Chair Manahan
Lori Hiraoka, Attorney, Office of Council Services
Doug Chun, Analyst, Office of Council Services
Randy Ishikawa, Deputy, Department of the Corporation Counsel, assigned to the Committee
Joanne Tachibana, Council Committee Aide, Office of the City Clerk

ORDER OF BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Committee on Transportation meeting of February 11, 2016 were approved as circulated.

AYES: KOBAYASHI, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ELEFANTE – 1.

APPROVAL OF REVISION TO JANUARY 14, 2016 MINUTES

Communication CC-29 from Councilmember Carol Fukunaga requesting that the adopted minutes of the January 14, 2016 Transportation Committee be amended to clarify her statement on Bill 82 (2015).

Committee Chair Manahan recommended that the paragraph on page 6 in the January 14, 2016 minutes relating to Councilmember Fukunaga's statement on Bill 82 (2015) be revised with the following language:

Councilmember Fukunaga asked Director Formby if there was a mechanism for public review and feedback following a public meeting. She noted that Bill 82 did not contain any provision for actions to be taken by the Department if concerns were raised at a hearing. The only report required would come at the end of the fiscal year.

AYES: KOBAYASHI, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ELEFANTE – 1.

Committee Chair Manahan announced that he would take Discussion Item 1 [Bill 8 (2016)] and Action Item 2 (Resolution 16-46) up together as they both relate to the implementation of Complete Streets.

FOR DISCUSSION

1. BILL 8 (2016)

RELATING TO COMPLETE STREETS. Amending Chapter 14, Article 33 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990.

FOR ACTION

2. RESOLUTION 16-46 – COMMITTEE REPORT 83

RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPLETE STREETS. Urging the Administration to implement the City's Complete Streets Policy in a manner that equally benefits all users of its transportation system by including pedestrian improvements during the design and construction of Complete Streets projects.

Administration/Others

Michael D. Formby, Director, Department of Transportation Services (DTS)

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Director Formby noted that after attending meetings with Councilmembers and the Complete Streets Coalition (Coalition), some of his concerns on Bill 8 (2016) were addressed and, he together with the Coalition want to move forward to make the public community process “more robust”.

Committee Chair Manahan started that in the past week, a series of meetings were held with the Coalition and DTS to discuss issues that the City Council tried to address through the introduction of numerous bills. Through the discussion a discrepancy was found in the process and dialogue led to more common ground amongst the parties. He looks forward to continue working with the councilmembers, the Coalition and the DTS to come up with meaningful solutions for the process of implementation of the Complete Streets for all districts.

Councilmember Fukunaga reported that the meetings with the Coalition and others were productive and there was agreement to share bullet points for improvements and to possibly work on a consolidated bill.

Committee Chair Manahan thanked Councilmember Ozawa for introducing Bill 8 (2016) and for requesting that the Bill be placed on the Transportation agenda for discussion only.

The following individuals provided testimony on Bill 8 (2016):

1. Tom Dinell, Hawaii Complete Streets Coalition [oppose to Bill 8 (2016) and comments] (M-258)
2. Trish La Chica, Policy and Advocacy Director, Hawaii Public Health Institute (oppose) (M-524)
3. Lola Irving, Chief of Chronic Diseases, representing Dr. Virginia Pressler, Director, Department of Health (comments) (M-526)
4. Richard Holly (comments)

The following individual provided comments on Resolution 16-46:

Barbra Armentrout

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Resolution 16-46 reported out for adoption.

AYES: KOBAYASHI, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ELEFANTE – 1.

Related communications to Bill 8 (2016):

M-517 Cycle on Hawaii (comments)
M-518 Donald B. Weisman, Hawaii Government Relations and
Communications Director, American Heart Association (oppose)
M-519 Jackie Boland, Director of Education and Outreach, AARP Hawaii
(proposing amendments)
M-520 Hawaii Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects
(oppose)
M-521 Matthew J. Gonser, Better Block Hawaii (oppose)
M-522 American Diabetes Association (oppose)
M-523 Paula Adams, Joy Barua, Daniel Leung, Ray L’Heaurex, May
Okiihiro, Anni Peterson, Barbara Pleadwell, Diane Tabangay,
Pioneering Healthier Communities (oppose)
M-524 Trish La Chica, Policy & Advocacy Director, Hawaii Public Health
Institute (oppose)
M-525 Wayne Niide (support)
M-526 Dr. Virginia Pressler, Director, State Department of Health
(comments)
M-527 Joel van Allen, Program Coordinator, Kokua Kalihi Valley
Comprehensive Family Services (oppose)
M-528 Tom Dinell, Hawaii Complete Streets Coalition (oppose)
M-529 Phyllis Dendle, Government Relations, Kaiser Permanente
(comments)
M-530 Bill Sager, Blue Zone Project Policy Committee (oppose)
M-531 Chad Taniguchi & Daniel Alexander, Hawaii Cycling League
(comments)
M-532 Kevin Butterbaugh, Chair Kailua Urban Design Task Force (oppose)

3. RESOLUTION 16-37 – COMMITTEE REPORT 82

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT (TIP) PROJECTS TO
MITIGATE CURRENT AND FUTURE TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AIEA-
RED HILL-MOANALUA-SALT LAKE AREA. Requesting the State Department of
Transportation (DOT) and City Department of Transportation Services to expedite
completion of the State’s H-1 Corridor Study and to evaluate proposed Oahu

Regional Transportation Plan 2035 Projects and Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OAHU MPO) 2011-2014 TIP Projects to mitigate current and future traffic congestion in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area.

Administration/Others

Michael D. Formby, Director, Department of Transportation Services (DTS)

Councilmember Fukunaga, introducer, stated that the Resolution accompanies Bill 11 (2016) addressing the gridlocked traffic in the area.

Director Formby testified in support of the Resolution and provided the following information:

- Traffic gridlock in the area is a big issue requiring long-term solutions.
- There are two traffic lights scheduled to be installed on both sides of the freeway.
- The process to install traffic lights is impacted by its source of funding:
 - It is a two-year process for projects that are 100% federally funded.
 - An expedited process occurs when local funds are used to address public safety.
- The Department of Design and Construction is currently working on widening Salt Lake Boulevard.
- The DTS will continue to work with the State DOT to bring regional improvements to the heavily congested area.

Director Formby responded to Committee Chair Manahan stating that the issues raised in Committee should also be placed on an agenda for an upcoming OMPO (Oahu Metropolitan Policy Organization) meeting.

Committee Chair Manahan thanked Director Formby for his support.

The following individuals provided testimony:

1. Mary Jean Castillo, Moanalua Village residents/homeowners, (support) (M-545)

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2. Elizabeth R. Meisels (oral testimony in support) [M-535, written testimony oppose]
3. Richard Holly (comments)

Resolution 16-37 reported out for adoption.

AYES: KOBAYASHI, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ELEFANTE -1.

Related communications:

M-533 Carol Kunishima (oppose) replaced by M-538 (support)
M-534 Linda Tanaka (oppose)
M-535 Elizabeth R. Meisels (oppose) (gave oral testimony in support)
M-536 Wendy James (support)
M-537 Scott James (support)
M-539 State Representative Linda Ichiyama, District 32 (support)
M-540 Geraldine Wade (support)
M-542 State Representative Aaron Ling Johanson, District 31 (support)
M-543 Rodney S. Moriyama (support)
M-544 Jerald James (comments)
M-545 Mary Jean Castillo, Moanalua Village residents/homeowners (support)
M-546 Joycelyn Banas (support)

4. BILL 4 (2016) – COMMITTEE REPORT 81

RELATING TO PARKING. Permitting on-street parking in certain areas.

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 4 (2016) (Submitted by Councilmember Menor)
The proposed CD1 (OCS2016-0202/2/25/2016 11:21 AM) makes the following changes:

- A. Amends Section 2 of the bill by adding the portion of Auwaha Street between Kamahoi Street and Maliko Street, Ewa Beach, Hawaii, as an area where on-street parking is permitted under the bill.
- B. Makes miscellaneous technical and non-substantive changes.

Administration/Others

Michael D. Formby, Director, Department of Transportation Services (DTS)
Major Darren Izumo, Honolulu Police Department (HPD)

Committee Chair Manahan explained the proposed CD1 posted on the agenda.

Committee Member Menor, introducer, stated that the original Bill addressed only Haolani and Maliko Streets. At the request of the residents, the CD1 adds Auwaha Street as the third street to be included in the Bill for street parking in the Ewa Villages.

Director Formby commented that the DTS did not take a position on the Bill because it represents enforcement issues and does not propose changes to the Traffic Code. The DTS does share the same concerns as the HPD regarding driver line of sight, pedestrian safety of children, seniors and others walking on the residential streets.

Major Izumo testified that HPD does not sanction exceptions to the parking code for select limited streets because other areas and communities may make similar requests. He further commented that the issue of residents parking in front of their own driveway could lead to problems if neighbors or visitors park there.

Councilmember Fukunaga posed an additional scenario to Bill 4 (2016). She stated that residents could form a community association that would distribute stickers or placards for the vehicles designated as residents and visitors. She inquired whether that would assist HPD to identify legally parked vehicles versus outsiders. Major Izumo responded that should Bill 4's pilot program be implemented and the community considered such an identification system for its vehicles, it would assist the HPD.

The following individuals provided testimony in support:

1. Davina Elgarico
2. Frances Tapiz-Ambrian
3. Esperanza Tapiz (M-550)

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Bill 4 (2016) amended to the posted CD1 (OCS2016-0202/2/25/2016 11:21 AM)
and reported out for passage on third reading.

VOTES: KOBAYASHI, MENOR, MANAHAN – 3.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ELEFANTE, PINE – 2.

Related communications:

M-547	Cristine Miguel (support)
M-548	Candelaio P. Inocencio (support)
M-549	Eugene Tapiz (support)
M-550	Esperanza Tapiz (support)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


GLEN J. TAKAHASHI
City Clerk

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DATE APPROVED

March 31, 2016