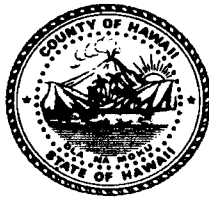


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Sent via E-Mail

To: Duane Kanuha, Director
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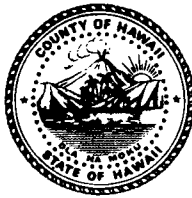
From:  Stewart Maeda, Clerk
Office of the County Clerk

Subject: Resolution 237-15

As directed in the above resolution, which was adopted by the Council of the County of Hawai'i on August 5, 2015, I am forwarding your copy.

SM/dt

Attachment

RESOLUTION NO. 237 15**A RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAI‘I GENERAL PLAN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL PLAN COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW PROCESS, RELATING TO MASS TRANSIT.**

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i County Planning Director, Duane Kanuha initiated a comprehensive review of the County of Hawai‘i General Plan on February 6, 2015; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 16.1(3) of the General Plan, Director Kanuha established June 6, 2015 as the deadline for Council initiated amendments to the Plan during the comprehensive review process; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the Council Planning Committee’s request to postpone this deadline, Director Kanuha postponed the deadline for Council initiated amendments until September 8, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Council submits this resolution in response to Director Kanuha’s invitation to submit amendments to the General Plan; and

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i County’s Mass Transit systems provide residents with a vital means of transportation to employment, services, and activities; and

WHEREAS, Hawai‘i County Mass Transit systems promote and enhance pedestrian activities, reduce congestion on roadways, and increase economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, to support and improve the County’s Mass Transit system, the Council added a project to the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 to 2016, to prepare a countywide Mass Transit Master Plan to provide an overall framework for transit improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Mass Transit Master Plan should include timelines, criteria, administrative procedures, and legal guidelines for projected infrastructure needs in both the short and the long-term as well as transit alternatives such as hub and spoke systems, infrastructure needs in a primarily rural environment, improved schedules and stop locations, and Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades; and

WHEREAS, integrating elements of the Mass Transit Master Plan into the County of Hawai‘i General Plan would promote the creation of a variety of public transportation systems in Hawai‘i County that are affordable, efficient, accessible, and safe; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I that the Planning Director consider the following proposals during the Director's review and analysis of suggestions offered during this initial phase of the comprehensive review process and ultimately incorporate them as possible, into the final proposed amendments to the Hawai'i County General Plan:

1. If the Mass Transit Master Plan for Hawai'i County is completed in sufficient time, incorporate it into the General Plan update; and
2. Incorporate provisions into the General Plan to assure that Mass Transit policies and facilities are compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Hawai'i County Planning Director, Duane Kanuha and Mass Transit Administrator, Tiffany Kai.

Dated at Hilo, Hawai'i, this 5th day of August, 2015.

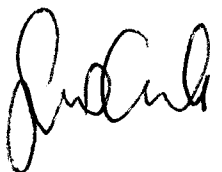
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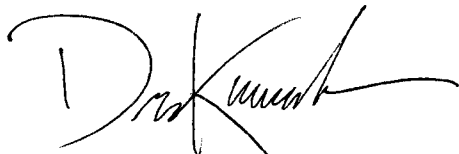
COUNTY COUNCIL
County of Hawai'i
Hilo, Hawai'i

I hereby certify that the foregoing RESOLUTION was by the vote indicated to the right hereof adopted by the COUNCIL of the County of Hawai'i on August 5, 2015.

ATTEST:



COUNTY CLERK



CHAIRPERSON & PRESIDING OFFICER

ROLL CALL VOTE

	AYES	NOES	ABS	EX
CHUNG	X			
DAVID	X			
EOFF	X			
ILAGAN	X			
KANUHA			X	
ONISHI	X			
PALEKA	X			
POINDEXTER	X			
WILLE			X	
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Reference: C-397/Waived PC

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