

Exemption Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Meeting held 19 April 2012

1. Attendance

Present:

See attached sign-in sheet

2. Description of substance discussed

- The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm.
- Minutes of the subcommittee meeting held on March 15 were not produced and so were not approved
- The City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services (CCH-ENV) and David Atkin confirmed that the applicant and OEQC had the same set of public comments.
- CCH-ENV responded to some of the comments received to date.
- David Atkin moved: "The Exemption Subcommittee recommends that the full council concur with the exemption list amendments proposed at this time by the CCH-ENV." Vote was taken after discussion: Yes: Pete Cooper, Robert Inouye, John Richards, David Atkin; No: Gary Hoosier, Mary Steiner, Marjorie Ziegler, Chuck Prentiss. Motion failed.
- Atkin suggested CCH-ENV revise certain language as discussed at the meeting, and attend the next regular subcommittee meeting on 17 May . The CCH-ENV application will be at the top of the 17 May agenda.
- The DLNR application was then addressed. DLNR and David Atkin confirmed that the applicant and OEQC had the same set of public comments.
- 2 late comments were received (after the close of the April 6 comment deadline), one from Senator Dela Cruz and one from Mililani Trask. Anna will distribute digital versions of the late comments to all EC members.

- DLNR Director Bill Aila introduced the DLNR team and made some remarks on their proposal to place certain geothermal exploration phase activities on their existing exemption list. DLNR staff presented a document revising some details of their proposed exemption list amendments, addressed some of the comments received, and provided new information.

- Public comments were then received. The following individuals commented: Mililani Trask, Dean Nakano, David Penn, Frank Bachinsky, and Camille Paldi.

- Since the agenda could not be completed before the 2:00 PM time set for adjournment of the meeting, it was agreed that a special meeting would be held on May 3, noon to 2 pm. The meeting will be noticed in accordance with Sunshine Law requirements. The meeting will continue the public comment portion of the agenda, then proceed with the remainder of the DLNR agenda items.

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 pm.

3. Decisions made

No motions passed. It was agreed to continue with public comments on the DLNR proposal at the May 3 special meeting, and address the CCH-ENV application at the top of the May 17 regular meeting