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Environmental Council Meeting

June 13, 2017, 1:00-3:00 PM

Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building, 15th Floor Conference Room

Minutes

Members Present:

Roy Abe, Mary Begier, Stephanie Dunbar-Co, Scott Glenn, Barbara Kaaumoana, Robin Kaye, Theresita Kinnaman, Charles Prentiss, Joseph Shacat, Ronald Terry, Mahina Tuteur

Members Absent:

P. Ka'anohi Kaleikini, Robert Parsons, Puananionona Thoene, Michael Tulang,

EC Counsel:

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Laura McIntyre (DOH Environmental Protection Office), Denise Antolini (UH Richardson Law School), Wimmie Wong Lui (DOH/OPPPD), Kathryn Mykleseth (Star-Advertiser)

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Introductions, Quorum
 - i. Meeting called to order at 1:01pm, quorum met with 11 members present.
2. Review and approval of prior meeting minutes
 - a. Meeting held on May 9, 2017
 - i. approval deferred to July 11, Council meeting.
3. Environmental Council meeting schedule for second half of 2017
 - i. maintain current schedule until October subject to draft council meeting calendar to be presented at the next meeting for approval.
4. Director's Report on OEQC Activities
 - a. Environmental Review Process Guidebook Update
 - b. Review of recent presentations to the American Planning Association and the State Department of Health, Public Health Preparedness Branch conference on climate change and public health.
 - i. Presentation on the Aloha+ Challenge, Sea-level Rise, Climate Change and Health Issues in Hawai'i.
5. Status of revisions to Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 11-200
 - i. Rules committee voted to accept the proposed language from PIG amending HAR Chapter 11-200 to include a new section on Programmatic EIS, and 11-200-27 to include a new term in the definitions section "substantially commence."
 - ii. Tentatively hold public meetings for rules update from July-October 2017.
6. Information & Outreach Committee Report
 - a. Hawaii Department of Health's policy on posting of warning signs for high bacteria levels DOH has not responded to a suggestion to have community groups partner with DOH to assist in posting of warning signs for high bacteria levels in recreational waters.

- b. Potential initiatives on storm water pollution control
 - i. Public-private partnership with the visitor industry
Continued correspondence with Kaanapali Operations association. Watershed management plans are typically developed under 319 grant program through public-private partnerships, and implementation may potentially involve other stakeholders in addition to those who developed the management plan.
 - ii. State water quality standards and current point and non-point source discharge permitting and compliance challenges
The Hawaii Water Environment Association recently held a storm water workshop, significant permitting and permit compliance challenges due to stringent state water quality standards were discussed. Member Abe noted that the water quality standards also have a significant impact on permits for wastewater outfall discharges. A possible forum to discuss the issues and challenges involving the state water quality standards was suggested.

- c. Invasive species control
 - i. Governor Ige signed a bill to help reduce the Parakeet population.
- ci. Seabird recovery progress update
 - i. Data used is not current, seabird population does not appear to be recovering.
- cii. Climate change adaptation issues
 - i. Workshops held on Kauai are a good process for understanding the impacts of sea level rise and developing plans to address it.
 - ii. Governor Ige signed the SB559-ACT032 (Gov. Msg. No. 1132) which creates the Hawaii Climate Change Mitigation and Adaption commission. Hawai'i joined the US Climate Alliance

- ciii. For review and approval: Draft letter to the U.S. Department of the Interior regarding Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (see Attachment A)
 - i. Chair Shacat introduced a motion to incorporate amendments which include the 2016 letter to President Obama as an attachment, to incorporate citations to items 1-4, and item 6 reference to a single boundary for enforcement than multiple boundaries, member Kaye so moved the motion, second by member Begier. Motion unanimously approved.

- civ. Envision sustainability rating system and its potential for utilization in Hawaii
 - a. Presentation by Jon Young and Amber Takenouchi
 - i. Envision is a part of the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure(ISI). The program is a sustainability metric designed for infrastructure projects, similar to the LEED program for buildings. The first project in Hawaii to earn recognition under the Envision program is Kunia Country Farm on Oahu, which achieved a gold level. Mr. Young and Ms. Takenouchi are meeting with engineers and agencies to educate them as to what Envision is and how it works.
 - b. Introduction of Danielle Bass, State's Sustainability Coordinator with Office of Planning.

- cv. Adjournment
 - i. meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.