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Chairperson
Puananionaona Thoene

MINUTES (DRAFT)
State of Hawai'i, Environmental Council
Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 1:00 PM— 3:30 PM
Online Zoom meeting

Vice Chair Mary Begier

Members
Roy Abe
Stephanie Dunbar-Co
Dawn Hegger-Nordblom
Makaala Kaaumoana
Ian Robin Kaye
Theresita Kinnaman
Ron Terry
Michael Tulang

N. Mahina Tuteur

Members Present:

Puananionaona Thoene (Chairperson), Roy Abe, Mary Begier, Stephanie Dunbar-Co, Makaala Kaaumoana, Keith Kawaoka (Acting Director), Robin Kaye, Theresita Kinnaman, Ron Terry, Michael Tulang, N. Mahina Tuteur

Members Absent

Robert Parsons

Staff

Leslie Segundo (Environmental Health Specialist), Kathleen Ho (Nominated for the OEQC Director), William Cooper (Deputy Attorney General for the Environmental Council)

Public

Pane Meatoga III (Hawaii Operating Industry Stabilization Fund)

Note: Bolded items below indicate text from the agenda

1. Call to order, roll call and quorum, introductions

With a quorum of nine members present, Chairperson Thoene called the meeting to order at 1:15pm.

2. Review and approval of prior meeting minutes

No minutes are available.

3. OEQC Director's Report

Acting Director Keith Kawaoka commented that the main thing being worked on is COVID-19 response. They are trying to prevent spending and curtailing of any unencumbered general funds.

4. Annual Report Committee Update

Committee Member Stephanie Dunbar-Co commented that at the last meeting it was decided that she would put together a draft of recommendations based on the feedback from the four agencies that we were able to receive feedback from, which were DAGS, DLNR, HTA and DOT. The draft of the recommendations was grouped into teams (Climate Change, Tourism, Public Process and Funding and Capacity) and sent to the committee for review. This was just a draft and probably would be enough to get a bid.

Chairperson Thoene commented that the budget for the report is \$17,000 for contracting.

5. Legislative Committee Update

No committee meeting was held. Legislators are looking at bills that have any appropriations attached or that impacts the community safety net.

6. Exemption Committee Update

No committee meeting was held. No comments received for Kauai Department of Water. Commission on Water Resource Management will be submitting a separate list from DLNR.

7. Information & Outreach Committee Update

No committee meeting was held.

8. Old Business / New Business

Ethics Disclosure is due.

9. Public Forum

None.

10. Next meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:38PM