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June 2, 2020, Meeting Minutes
Approved on September 1, 2020
Exemption Committee Meeting
State of Hawai'i Environmental Council

Meeting Held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Via ZOOM videoconference

Members Present (4): Ron Terry (Chairperson); Puananionaona Thoene; Maka'ala Ka'auomoana; Michael Tulang
Public Present: Walter Billingsley
Staff Present: Bill Cooper, Deputy Attorney General; Leslie Segundo, Planner
Note: Text in bold indicates the original text of the agenda

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

With a quorum of three members, Chairperson Terry convened the meeting at 12:10 PM. All present introduced themselves.

2. Review and approval of prior meeting minutes.

Minutes of May 5, 2020, were approved unanimously with no changes.

3. Exemption list status

Agency	Status	Meeting Notes
Kauai DOW	<i>DOW was still considering how to address comments from May Committee</i>	Agency has not provided any communication on whether and how they will revise list.
Honolulu Design and Construction	DDC submitted an updated list	Ron discussed process and future related action of a possible presentation by Allyn Lee of DDC, an expert in lighting; Walter B discussed process; committee discussed process, importance of lighting issues; Makaala moved to pass to Env. Council for publication in Environmental Notice; Mike seconded; unanimous vote
Honolulu Land Management	Initial list received; returned to DLM with questions	Agency has not provided any subsequent communication.

4. Draft letter to agencies reminding them of need to reorganize list and/or update their list, plus calling attention to duty to provide a monthly list of exemption notices to be published in the Environmental Notice

The original letter has not been found, although we have various drafts. Les will continue looking. In any case, Chair Terry will revise draft. Committee discussed having it both concise and complete; can leave out instructions from first letter about the exemption process with OEQC and focus on the advantages to the agency of having a concurred list. Chair Terry will draft letter and try to get some testimonials from DLNR, Hawaii County DPW and C&C DDC on the process, to help agency officials relate better to the situation.

5. Next meeting date and agenda.

The next meeting is preliminarily planned for July 7, 2020. If Kauai DOW so chooses, we may have a resubmitted Kauai DOW list on the agenda and/or a discussion of why the agency chooses not to amend the list. We should also have comments on the Honolulu DDC list, and perhaps other agency lists on the agenda. We will also have an initial draft of the reminder letter to agencies about reorganizing and submitting their lists. There are currently no other items for the agenda.

6. Adjournment.

Chair Terry adjourned the meeting at 12:44 PM