

Review of TOD CIP Requests to the Legislature for FY 2023
Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD)
As of February 16, 2022

Hawai'i Revised Statutes § 226-63 requires the TOD Council to:

- (5) *Review all capital improvement project requests to the legislature for transit-oriented development projects, including mixed use and affordable and rental housing projects, on state lands within county-designated transit-oriented development zones or within a one-half-mile radius of public transit stations, if a county has not designated transit-oriented development zones;*
- (6) *Recommend policy, regulatory, and statutory changes, and identify resource strategies for the successful execution of the [TOD] strategic plan;*

TOD Program Staff have identified the following TOD-related measures that include CIP appropriations for TOD Council discussion/action on recommendations to the Legislature.

HB 1600/SB2176 - Executive Supplemental Budget for FY 2022-2023.

Four (4) TOD-related appropriation requests were submitted to the Legislature for CIP funding in FY 2023:

- OPSD – State Transit-Oriented Development Planning, Statewide, (BED-144):
 - FY 2023 \$1,000,000Funds would be used for planning and feasibility studies, master plans, infrastructure assessments, cost estimation, preparation of environmental review documents as needed to advance TOD priority projects identified in the State TOD Strategic Plan, including support for coordination and collaboration of State and county agencies to plan and implement key projects.
- DOT – Farrington Highway Widening, Kapolei Golf Course to Fort Weaver Road, O'ahu, (TRN501):
 - FY 2023 \$95,000,000Farrington Highway is being widened from Fort Weaver Road to Kualaka'i Parkway to accommodate future development and traffic demands. It is planned to be completed in two phases. Phase 1 is from Kapolei Golf Course Road to the new East Kapolei High School access road east of Kualaka'i Parkway. Phase 2 is from the new high school access road to Old Fort Weaver Road. The first phase is a priority project. Current plans are to construct a four-lane highway. However, a three-lane facility maybe sufficient with one lane going each direction and a shared turn lane throughout the route. Most of the congestion is at the intersections. The intent is to keep high-capacity traffic on the freeway. A smaller road will also not require DOT to relocate the utilities and allow for additional room to install bike lanes and pedestrian walkways.

- PSD – O’ahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) New Housing and Support Facilities, O’ahu (PSD900):
 - FY 2023 \$15,000,000

The existing OCCC facility, the State’s largest jail, has been operating at its current location since 1975. Due to its current age and obsolete facilities and infrastructure, PSD plans to relocate and construct a modern facility at the Hālawā Animal Quarantine Station site. This OCCC facility needs to be relocated before the 16-acre parcel in Kalihi can be evaluated for its TOD potential. The appropriations include funding for design and improvements to the existing Laumaka Work Furlough Center (LWFC) on an adjacent site. The existing LWFC facilities were assessed as being in poor physical condition and not meeting current standards for security, health, and safety.

- UH – West O’ahu, Campus Expansion and Development of University Village, O’ahu (UOH900):
 - FY2023 \$10,000,000

The appropriation will provide essential planning and design funds for infrastructure to spur development of the University District lands, including TOD on District lands at 2 transit stops. The vision for the University District is a vibrant, sustainable mixed-use community that will be integrated and complement the UHWO campus. It presents an opportunity to create a new “college town” for future generations.

HB 2023, HD1/SB 2154 - Relating to Transit-Oriented Development. (Rep. Nakamura/Sen. Kouchi)

- FY2023 \$2,000,000
- Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for transit-oriented development projects in the State of Hawai’i Strategic Plan for Transit-Oriented Development.

Recommendation for Action

It is recommended that the TOD Council approve transmittal of its recommendation of support for the funding requests contained in this report, as may be amended by the TOD Council, to the 2022 Legislature.