

# **COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**1:30 p.m., Thursday, December 13, 2012**

Hale Mahaolu Elima Community Room  
11 Mahaolu Street, Kahului, HI 96732

### **I. Roll Call, Quorum, Call Meeting to Order**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Gayle Burton, Cesar Gaxiola, Paulo Sabado, Charlotte Smith, Kevin Souza

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Ramoda Anand, Joseph Felipe, Yolanda Mau, Mikey Tomita

STAFF PRESENT: Gary Murai, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Jan Roberson, Commission Staff; Tara Sabado, Parks Inclusion Specialist.

OTHERS PRESENT: JoAnne Johnson Winer, Director of Transportation; Mary Matsukawa, State Council on Developmental Disabilities; Karen Hue Sing; Chivo Ching Johnson; Elaine Ota; Sheldon Rabanes; Elsie Santos; Bryan Zoellner.

### **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 8, 2012**

a. Commissioner Burton MOVED to approve the minutes. Commissioner Souza SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

### **III. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS**

Bryan Zoellner – spoke in favor of discounted monthly bus pass citing financial hardship for persons on fixed income. Some riders pay a third of their monthly income to bus fees.

Karen Hue Sing - spoke in favor of discounted monthly bus pass – citing financial hardship.

Elsie Santos - spoke in favor of discounted monthly bus pass

Sheldon Rabanes - spoke in favor of discounted monthly bus pass – feels isolated if he cannot get out into the community.

**IV. Guest Speaker** – Jo Anne Johnson Winer on discounted monthly bus passes for disabled riders

- a. Director Johnson Winer said she needs to justify to the county council a proposal to reduce the cost to disabled riders. She favors a program to offer a 50 percent discount to disabled riders with financial hardship. She also favors a survey perhaps administered by MEO to gain data on persons who need a discounted monthly bus pass.

**V. REPORTS**

- a. Video broadcast subcommittee – Paulo Sabado
  - i. Commissioner Sabado and Staff Roberson completed AKAKU training for video field production.
  - ii. The ultimate plan is to film short segments for a 30 minute monthly aging and disability related news magazine

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Lahaina Harbor Accessible Parking - ADA Coordinator DJ Schwind – Deferred.
- b. Review letter to Oahu Department of Transportation Services requesting information on discounted monthly bus pass for disabled and Medicare riders. – Deferred.

**VII. AGENDA SETTING**

- a. Deputy Director of Public Works Rowena Dagdag-Andaya to speak on Complete Streets Project.
- b. Lahaina Harbor Accessible Parking – ADA Coordinator DJ Schwind.

**VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Next meeting is set for January 10, 2013.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. Meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.