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Statement of MARY ALICE EVANS Director, Office of Planning and Sustainable Development before the HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING Friday, February 11, 2022 11:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 423

in consideration of HB 2023 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Chairs Aquino and Nakamura, Vice Chairs Illagan and Hashimoto, and Members of the House Committees on Transportation and Housing.

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) **strongly supports** HB 2023, provided that it does not adversely impact priorities in the Executive Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (FY 2023). HB 2023 would authorize \$2 million in Capital Improvement Project (CIP) funds for to support the planning and coordination of transit-oriented development (TOD) projects identified in the *State Strategic Plan for Transit-Oriented Development* issued by the Hawai'i Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD Council). The Executive Supplemental Budget in HB 1600 provides \$1 million for FY 2023.

OPSD has received appropriations totaling \$5 million in TOD CIP funds in four of the six legislative sessions since OPSD was designated as the lead agency for State transit-oriented development in 2016. The response to the availability of TOD CIP planning funds from State and county agencies has been robust over the years. Over the four appropriations, 20 unique proposals were considered for funding, with the requests for funding totaling \$9,675,000. Fifteen of the 20 proposals received have been awarded TOD CIP planning funds. The amount of total funding requested by agencies in response to the single-year appropriations has ranged from \$2.0-3.4 million each year.

There is a continuing need to seed TOD projects including infrastructure assessments, mixed-use, and affordable housing projects. OPSD appreciates the Legislature's vision and recognition of the need to financially support TOD planning statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Statement of DENISE ISERI-MATSUBARA

Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation Before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

February 11, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. State Capitol, Room 423

In consideration of H.B. 2023 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT.

The HHFDC <u>supports</u> H.B. 2023, which authorizes the issuance of up to \$2 million of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to plan and coordinate certain transitoriented development projects identified in the State of Hawaii Strategic Plan for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD).

HHFDC supports this bill, as the funding is necessary to further continued planning of TOD projects, which are anticipated to include affordable housing.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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Mike Golojuch, Sr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support HB2023.

Mike Golojuch, Sr.