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## MEMORANDUM

TO: GAIL UEHARA  
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FROM: BRANDON ELEFANTE, CHAIR  
COMMITTEE ON ZONING AND PLANNING

SUBJECT: PROPOSED ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PLAN ATTACHED TO  
RESOLUTION 21-23, CD1

Attached for consideration by the Zoning and Planning Committee are additional amendments relating to the adoption of the revised General Plan of the City and County of Honolulu. These amendments supersede and replace the amendments offered in CC-396.

These proposed additional amendments are intended to supplement the amendments to the General Plan attached to Resolution 21-23, CD1 (OCS2021-0968/10/27/21 8:40 AM).

Thank you!

Attachments

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**AMENDMENT FORM**  
GENERAL PLAN, RESOLUTION 21-23

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1	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Resolution and Plan				Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.		
2	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan				Makes conforming amendments so that each chapter starts on an odd numbered page Insert "This page intentionally left blank" as needed.		
3	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan				Makes conforming amendments for "widow control" of page breaks.		

25	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Preamble	Content of the General Plan	7	Amends the 5th paragraph of the section.	<p>Examples of what sustainability means in practice are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Direct action to adapt, mitigate, and respond to an ongoing climate crisis with resilience;</u></li> <li>○ Compact and mixed-use development patterns that encourage higher densities <del>[and]</del> <u>to conserve energy [and], resources, and prevent urban sprawl;</u></li> <li>○ Preservation and protection of agricultural, natural, cultural, and open space resources;</li> <li>○ Multi-modal transportation networks and rail transit-oriented developments to reduce automobile use and carbon emissions;</li> <li>○ Efficient building design and technology to reduce water and energy consumption <u>and pollution of all types;</u></li> <li>○ Greater public awareness of and <u>participation in actions</u> to reduce waste and excessive consumption;</li> <li>○ Increased participation and <u>a broader scope of on-island recycling and waste stream reduction;</u></li> <li>○ Use of renewable energy sources to <del>[reduce]</del> <u>end</u> dependence on imported fossil fuels <del>[where economically and environmentally appropriate]</del> <u>to align with State and City climate and energy goals;</u></li> <li>○ Greater production and consumption of locally-grown food and locally produced products;</li> <li>○ Economic diversification that emphasizes the well-being of O'ahu's residents and is resilient to changes in global conditions;</li> <li>○ <del>[Greater awareness]</del> <u>Awareness</u> that the collective "social capital" <u>and the aloha spirit</u> within O'ahu's</li> </ul>	<p>DPP recommendation D-697.</p> <p>Partial DPP recommendation D-715.</p>
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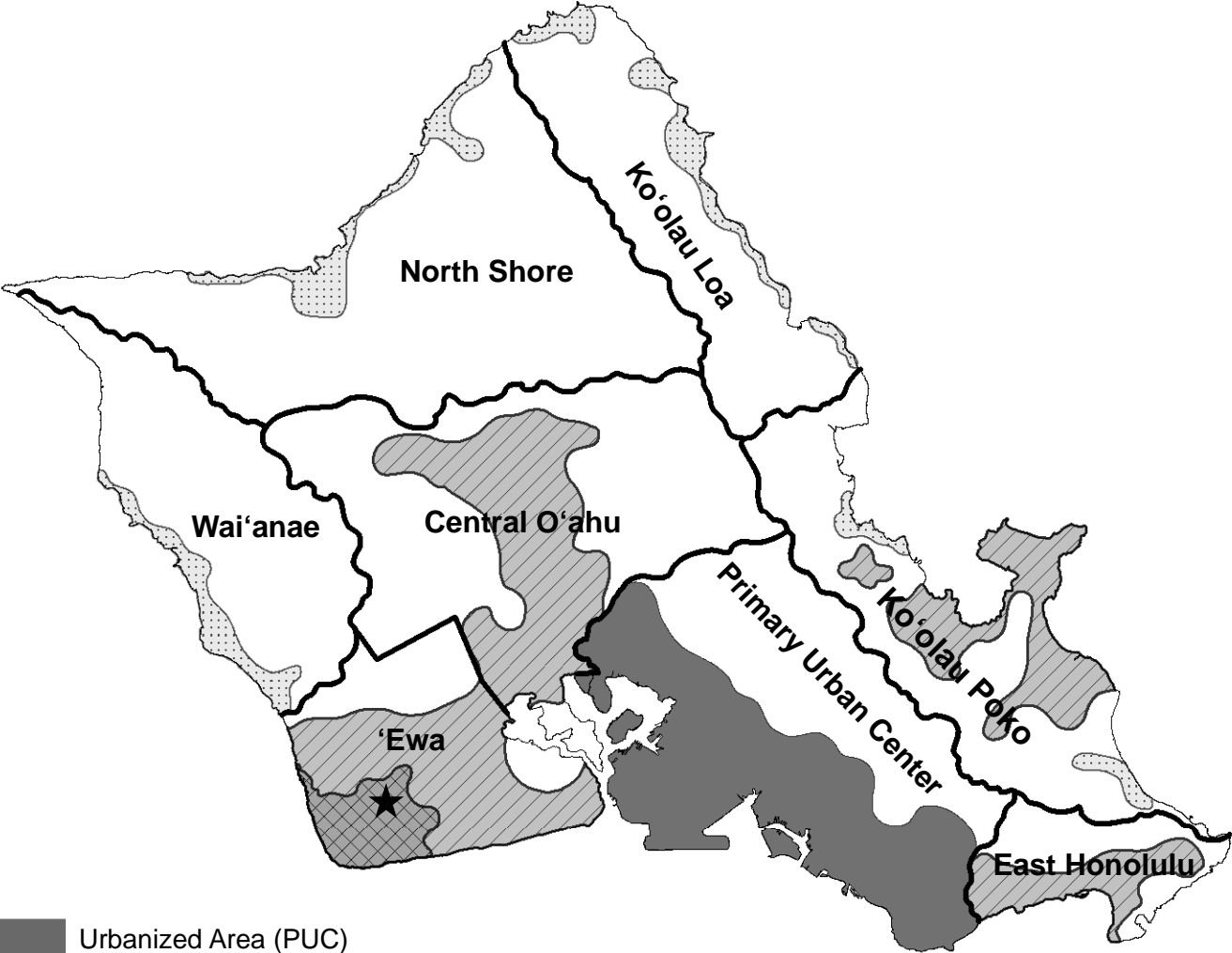
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								communities is vital to maintaining a strong and <del>[productive]</del> <u>healthy</u> society.	
27	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Preamble	Population	7	Amends the 1st paragraph of the section.	The population objectives and policies encompass two distinct thrusts. The first is to <del>[plan for anticipated future population growth]</del> <u>provide for our existing and anticipated population</u> in a manner that <del>[considers]</del> <u>respects</u> the limits of O'ahu's natural resources, protects the environment, and minimizes social, cultural, economic, and environmental disruptions. <u>This includes the active management of tourism to prevent visitor impacts from overwhelming the quality of life for our island community.</u> The second is to maintain a pattern of population distribution that will allow people to live, work, and play in harmony. To achieve these two aims, the City and County of Honolulu employs a policy of directed growth (See Chapter I. Objective B, Policy 4). A map at the end of Chapter I conceptually shows the development pattern on O'ahu in relation to this policy. The distribution of residential population percentages in Objective B, Policy 4 and the associated map are not regulatory, but are guides to population growth for each DP and SCP area.	Partial DPP recommendation D-715.

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38	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Preamble	Energy Systems	9	Amends the 1st paragraph of the section.	<p>There is no more salient example of the direct impact of <del>[world events]</del> <u>changing global conditions</u> on an island community than the provision of energy <u>and the attenuate dangers of escalating global warming and the volatility of global energy supply chains.</u></p> <p>With <del>[about]</del> <u>more than</u> 90% of O'ahu's electrical and transportation needs powered by imported fossil fuels, <u>[increasing] achieving energy self-sufficiency is [a major stride toward] a critical component of achieving sustainability.</u></p> <p><del>[Revised objectives and policies recognize that nature is all around us, even in urban areas. Renewable energy development, efficient energy utilization, conservation, and reducing energy demand are addressed with the goals of reducing dependence on outside sources, increasing the resiliency of energy systems, and promoting sustainable energy practices.]</del> <u>Our health and livability, even in the most urban area, directly depend on the health and integrity of natural ecosystems. Our island's achievement of 100 percent renewable energy and renewable transportation must include increasing the resilience of our energy grid, protecting agricultural productivity, enhancing community trust, and guarding against the most hazardous impacts of climate change.</u></p> <p>Policies have been revised to support net zero to net positive performance in the areas of energy, low carbon emissions, waste streams, all utilities, and food security.</p>	<p>DPP recommendation D-697.</p> <p>Partial DPP recommendation D-715.</p>

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52	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Preamble	Implementation	15	Amends the 1st paragraph of the section.	By itself, the General Plan cannot bring about all of the changes and improvements which the City and County government considers to be desirable and attainable. It is, by design, a <del>very</del> broad <u>policy</u> document <del>[- and one of its purposes is]</del> to establish a comprehensive vision for the City and County of Honolulu and to identify a coherent set of guidelines, values, and principles <del>[which can]</del> <u>that may</u> be used in developing <u>more specialized</u> plans, programs, and legislation for guiding O'ahu's future.	DPP recommendation D-697.  DPP recommendation D-715.
65	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Population	Figure 3. Overall Development Pattern on O'ahu	21	Amends Figure 3	Amend the Figure 3 title to read as follows: Figure 3. <del>[Overall]</del> <u>Conceptual</u> Development Pattern on O'ahu.  Amend Figure 3 to be consistent with Exhibit 1-1 in the East Honolulu Sustainable Communities Plan (Ordinance 21-11), which removes portions of the Kaiwi Coastline from appearing as urban fringe.  In the legend, add a white rectangle to indicate "Non-Designated Area."  In the legend and map, change gray-scale colors to patterns to more readily distinguish the different development areas.  Amend the Figure 3 caption to read as follows: <del>[O'ahu]</del> <u>Conceptual</u> Development Pattern <u>on O`ahu</u> .  Add language to read as follows: <u>The diagram above is for illustrative purposes only.</u>	DPP partial recommendation D-697.

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98	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Balanced Economy	Objective G, Policy 2	28	Amends Policy 2.	<p><b>Policy 2</b></p> <p><del>[Permit the moderate growth of business centers in the urban fringe areas.]</del> <u>Advance the equitable distribution of City capital spending, employment opportunities, infrastructure investments, and other benefits throughout communities based on need and regardless of income level. Allow infrastructure and business activity in urban fringe areas appropriate to population needs.</u></p>	Partial DPP recommendation D-715.
127	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Transportation and Utilities	Objective A, New Policy 15	36	Adds a new Policy 15.	<p><b>Policy 15</b></p> <p><u>Advance the transition to electric and alternative fuel infrastructure to provide adequate and accessible charging spaces and renewable fueling stations for ground transportation on O'ahu.</u></p>	DPP recommendation D-697. DPP recommendation D-715.
144	Resolution 21-23	O'ahu General Plan	Plan	Energy Systems	Objective A	39	Amends Objective A.	<p><b>To increase energy self-sufficiency through renewable energy and maintain an efficient, reliable, resilient, and cost-efficient energy system.</b></p>	DPP recommendation D-697. DPP recommendation D-715.

# Conceptual Development Pattern on O'ahu



- Urbanized Area (PUC)
- Secondary Urban Center
- Urban Fringe
- Rural Area
- Non-Designated Area

The diagram above is for illustrative purposes only.

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