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State Capitol Management Committee (SCMC) Meeting
Thursday, November 3, 2016
9:00 a.m.
State Capitol Building, Conference Room 414
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii  96813

MINUTES

Attendees: See attached roster.

1. Call to Order: 9:12 a.m.

2. Introductions and Public Comments
   a. Committee members and guests introduced themselves

3. Review and Approve Minutes of the October 14, 2016 Meeting
   a. Ms. Johnston moved to accept the minutes
   b. Mr. Tsuha seconded the motion
   c. Minutes were approved

4. CIP – Current – Fifth Floor Roof Renovation
   Future – Fourth Floor Lanai
   Capitol Water Feature – Reflecting Pond
   Projects for Consideration
   a. Current – Fifth Floor Roof Renovation: Mr. Kuroda stated that the contractor has coordinated
      with the Office of Elections and will be working on Monday, November 7, until 4:00 P.M.; not
      working on Tuesday, November 8; and working all day on Wednesday, November 9. He noted
      that the project is a little behind schedule. Ms. Johnston added that the workers have addressed
      reported leaks and have been working at night.
   b. Future – Fourth Floor Lanai: Referring to the problem of water collecting and running indoors,
      Mr. Kuroda mentioned that some of the affected offices are opposed to the option of closing their
      doors; people are accustomed to having that access. Mr. Shimomura clarified that follow-up with
      consultants will be forthcoming but that the closing of doors was simply one alternative.
   c. Future – Capitol Water Feature – Reflecting Pond: Mr. Kuroda stated that he and Ryan
      Toyomura (Senator Espero’s staff member) had met with Senator Dela Cruz, who had discussed
      the planning of the Ānuenue School gym. David Cho (Senator Dela Cruz’s staff member)
      explained that when Ānuenue School needed a covered play court, the University of Hawai‘i
      School of Architecture formed five groups to come up with proofs of concept for the gym, of
      which one was chosen as the winner. These groups met with principals, teachers, students,
Department of Education officials, and community members to get input, so everyone was on board. Mr. Kuroda added that he believed this was a useful concept for the subcommittee to work with. Referring to the capitol reflecting ponds, Senator Espero noted the difficulty of moving beyond ideas and into planning an actual project, and he added that it would take $10 million or more just for basic repair and maintenance of the ponds. Senator Espero, Mr. Kuroda, Mr. Shimomura, and Mr. Tsuha discussed the possibility of the committee holding a public hearing, possibly in December, to get input from interested parties; this would allow the public to be involved in the process and submit ideas for consideration. Senator Espero noted that DAGS could review these ideas, narrow them down, and give a presentation to the Legislature and executive branch; the executive branch could choose the best options and the Legislature would decide whether or not to fund any of them. Senator Espero also reminded the committee that the 50th anniversary of the capitol is in 2019 and queried whether they wanted to begin any visible work on the ponds prior to that. Mr. Kuroda stated that, for the ponds’ structural integrity, something would need to be done before then. Ms. Johnston questioned the need for the water filling the ponds, and Mr. Shimomura explained that the water must remain because of the pond membranes, which would dry out and crack without water. Mr. Tsuha asked if there was ever a report on these problems given to the Legislature and accessible by the public, and Mr. Shimomura replied that he would check on that. Senator Espero gave a possible timeline for the project: the Legislature gives an appropriation in 2017, and decisions on the plan are made by 2018, so that the plan can be unveiled in 2019. Senator Espero also stated that private-sector companies will want to participate in the project because anyone who gets the contract can use it as their showcase. He added that private businesses will invest time and money on the design stage in the hope that they will get the eventual multimillion-dollar project. Ms. Taniguchi reminded the committee that they need to hear from the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) on its parameters since that will affect decisions made going forward, and Senator Espero said that he would schedule a meeting with SHPD for whoever wants to attend. Mr. Shimomura raised the concern that DAGS would start on the project, but not receive any money from the Legislature, letting the project wither. Mr. Tsuha pointed out the usefulness of having a hearing date function as a mark on the wall, and Senator Espero supported the idea of getting to work on this as soon as possible while not rushing those who might contribute ideas. Mr. Shimomura explained that going ahead with the design of the structural aspect of the pools can be done, but that if designs for the top section start in 2018, the project is almost guaranteed not to be finished by the capitol’s 50th anniversary. Senator Espero pointed out that there may be overlap between the phases of the project, and Mr. Shimomura affirmed that he would follow up on that. Senator Espero reiterated that he would try to schedule a meeting with SHPD next week, and Ms. Taniguchi noted that Deputy Attorney General Kam should be consulted in regards to issues of quorum.

5. Capitol Building Hours
   a. Mr. Kuroda stated that Speaker wants to hold off on making any changes for now. He added that this item could be on the next agenda and that if other agencies wished to move forward with this, that could happen. Ms. Johnston noted that the governor’s office closes its main doors at regular
hours and that there are no restrooms on the fifth floor. Mr. Kuroda reiterated that because electronic access is granted to those who need it, opening later and closing earlier seemed to be easier for everyone.

6. Reports – False Fire Alarms
   Survey of DAGS Service Providers, Custodians and Ground Maintenance
   a. False Fire Alarms: Mr. Shimomura noted that Mr. Ernie Bautista will be working with the Department of Public Safety on communications to make sure he gets alerted whenever there is a false alarm.
   b. Survey of DAGS Service Providers, Custodians and Ground Maintenance: Mr. Shimomura stated that Mr. James Hisano is looking into whether the surveys can be sorted by location and separated for perusal by other agencies.

7. Annual Evacuation Drill – Coordination
   a. Mr. Kuroda noted that he is looking at Friday, December 16, 2016, for the evacuation drill; he is also checking with the vendor to see if they will come out on a weekend or after business hours for testing the alarm because leadership did not want testing to interrupt the workday.

8. Permitted Interaction Groups – Security and CIP
   DAGS Administrative Rules
   a. Security and CIP:
      i. Mr. Tsuha stated that he still does not know when the rotunda level House chamber doors will be fixed. He added that he is having capitol deputies examine data collection on encounters with individuals on capitol grounds so that that information is available. He mentioned a disturbing voicemail left at Representative Matsumoto’s office, a report of which they are waiting for, although it appears there is no real threat. Mr. Kuroda mentioned that since the previous meeting, his office had met with the person who had been followed to the capitol and discussed what could have been done better.
      ii. Mr. Kuroda also noted the safety issue of both cars and pedestrians traveling up and down the ramps out of the parking structure, and Mr. Tsuha clarified that pedestrians should not be on the ramps. Mr. Kuroda stated that the Ewa lot has a canopy and gate which is an exit only, and suggested putting a canopy and gate on the mauka gate and eventually getting a reader, which will encourage pedestrians to use that instead of the ramp.

9. Other Business – None

10. Next Meeting Date: TBD

11. Adjournment
   a. No quorum at time of adjournment.
   b. The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.
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