



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
530 SOUTH KING STREET, ROOM 202
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3065
TELEPHONE: (808) 768-5010 • FAX: (808) 768-5011

STANLEY CHANG

Councilmember – District IV
Phone: (808) 768-5004
Fax: (808) 768-5000
cldistrict4@honolulu.gov
www.honolulu.gov/council/d4

August 8, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: MR. CLAYTON WONG, FISCAL OFFICER
CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER STANLEY CHANG *SC*

SUBJECT: HAWAII STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (HSAC)
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 13, 2011 ~ 3371-A WILCOX ROAD, LIHUE, KAUAI

The HSAC executive committee chose to meet on Kauai at the invitation of new President Mel Rapozo. The County of Kauai graciously hosted lunch for the members of the executive committee. In addition to the board's business, such as discussing the treasurer's report, two presentations of interest were scheduled.

Items Affecting the City & County of Honolulu

The executive committee accepted communications from the Honolulu City Council designating me as the Honolulu HSAC representative and Councilmember Tulsi Gabbard as alternate for the term July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. The executive committee also accepted communication appointing Councilmember Gabbard to the NACo Economic Development Steering Committee for the term July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

The executive committee deferred consideration of an application made for a presidential appointment to a NACo board seat. HSAC is entitled to two board seats, which traditionally have been filled by councilmembers from Maui and Kauai counties.

HSAC also has two Western Interstate Region board seats, which traditionally are filled by Kauai and Hawaii counties. In addition, the NACo President is

entitled to appoint up to ten at-large directors, selected at his or her sole discretion, to enhance diversity. In past years, the NACo President has selected a director from Honolulu.

Employee Retirement System Presentation

Wes Machida, administrator of the Employee Retirement System, presented the financial status of the ERS. The system is only 61.4 percent funded. In addition to the 40,000 currently receiving benefits, there are an additional 6,000 inactive vested members who have not yet retired. The source of the shortfall was the practice from 1967 to 2003 of sweeping investment earnings beyond the projected targets into the state's general fund. Had these funds remained within the fund, it would be nearly 100 percent funded today.

The Executive Committee members engaged in detailed questioning of Mr. Machida. Although counties fund benefits for county employees, counties have a limited role in making investment determinations and in collective bargaining.

Based on the healthy dialogue with Mr. Machida, I recommended to the Budget Committee that an informational briefing would be helpful for the City Council to better understand its obligations and challenges.

HSAC State Conference Presentation

Maui County Council Chair Danny Mateo invited participation from all the members to the annual HSAC state conference in Wailea, Maui in June. He distributed packets to encourage our colleagues on our respective councils to attend and to solicit sponsorships.

City Council
City and County of Honolulu

CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Traveler: Councilmember Stanley P. Chang

Event: HSAC Executive Committee Meeting

Location: Lihue, Kauai

Dates: From May 13, 2011 To May 13, 2011

Description	Amount	Notes:
1. Registration Fee	\$0.00	
2. Airfare	162.40 \$0.00	\$162.40 Airfare cost to be reimb. by HSAC (see memo attached)
3. Hotel	\$0.00	
4. Meals	\$0.00	
5. Ground Transportation	\$0.00	
6. Tips	\$0.00	
7. Other	\$15.00	Parking @ Honolulu Airport (see receipt attached)
Other	\$0.00	
Other	\$0.00	
TOTAL COST OF THE TRIP	177.40 \$15.00	
MINUS REIMB./ADVANCE BY THE CITY	(162.40) \$0.00	
REIMBURSEMENT DUE TO TRAVELER	\$15.00	

This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment:


Signature of Traveler

7/11/11
Date