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From: Todd Apo [mailto:tka@hawaii.rr.com]
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To: Borinsky, Susan <FTA>
Subject: RE: Hawaii Rail Project - Tomorrow's Meeting

Susan,

Looking forward to meeting you and your team tomorrow. I walked by the JW today to look at where we might meet. My suggestion - at the Corner Bakery right around the corner from the JW, right next to Filene's Basement. They have tables that could fit us. I don't know how crowded it might be at that time. Worse case, we can talk in the atrium area right there. Let me know if that sounds like it will work or if you have another idea.

Also, I should have given you a list of who is coming from our side.

With me are Council members - Nestor Garcia, Donovan Dela Cruz, and Romy Cachola.

I have been on the Council for 4 years. The other 3 have been on since 2002. We have been working on the project since 2005 and we have all be integrally involved. I represent West Oahu, where the rail line construction will start. Nestor represents the district adjacent to mine - just to the east. They have started TOD efforts in his district. Donovan represents rural Oahu, mainly through the north part of the island. The project won't go through his district, but he has been a supporter and views TOD as the most important part of the project, as it keep development in the urban core instead of spreading to the rural areas. Romy represents a part of the urban core. He led the effort to run the line through the Salt Lake community area instead of the airport, and was unhappy that we set the route to go through Pearl Harbor and the Airport district.

Romy and Nestor were State legislators before moving to the Council. Donovan was with an advertising agency. I am an attorney by background and with the development company for a resort in west Oahu.

Hope that helps a little bit and gives you some background on us.

Aloha,
Todd