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Robyn:

OK, despite what I sent you earlier today, the sole City guest will be **Toru Hamayasu**, chief of the Transit Planning Division of the Department of Transportation Services. Toru has been with the City for more than 30 years and has worked on the planning for HART in the '70s, the Fasi light rail project that was shot down by a single City Council vote in 1992, Jeremy Harris' ill-fated Bus Rapid Transit, and now the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project.

Thanks again for having him. He's here to talk about the City's Transit Symposium, which is being held from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday at the Hawaii Convention Center.

Points for Kirk or Tannya:

1. What's the purpose of the symposium? As we near completion of the alternatives analysis for the transit project, we've heard a lot about rail transit. The symposium gives us a chance to learn about other cities' experiences with rail (seven speakers; workshops) and to see some of the latest technology that's available (five exhibitors).
2. Who's going coming? In addition to the mayor and Congressman Neil Abecrombie, the speakers are:
  - § Skip Rimsza, former mayor of Phoenix, Ariz.
  - § Kathy Whitmire, former mayor of Houston, Texas.
  - § John English, general manager/CEO, Utah Transit Authority.
  - § Gary Thomas, president/executive director, Dallas Area Rapid Transit
  - § Todd Litman, executive director, Victoria (B.C., Canada) Transport Policy Institute.
  - § Jim Lawson, government affairs manager, Santa Clara (Calif.) Authority
  - § Masayuki Ishido, technical and planning director, Tokyo Monorail Co., Ltd.

The exhibitors will be:

- Itochu Corporation
  - Hitachi
  - Mitsubishi Heavy Industries
  - Bombardier Transportation
  - Siemens Corporation
3. Come join us: The exhibit area will be free and open to the public. but registration is required for speaker sessions and luncheon. Cost per person is \$75 for the entire conference – which runs from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., or \$45 for the luncheon only. Todd Litman of Vancouver will be the keynote speaker at lunch. For more information, call the symposium hotline at (808) 523-3005.

Again, you should have the CD/DVD with the logo, pictures of four types of transit, etc., for b-roll.

Thanks,  
Mark