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HART CEO PROMISES MORE TRANSPARENCY

Daniel Grabauskas, the new executive director and CEO of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART), today pledged greater transparency for the Honolulu rail transit project.

“Transparency and a culture of openness are among my top goals,” Grabauskas said. “This is the largest public works project in Hawaii’s history and taxpayers have a right to know how their money is being spent. We will consistently provide accurate information and increase the amount of information we make available to the public, and we intend to show that we are good stewards of your tax dollars.”

As part of Grabauskas’ transparency effort, HART will post on its website the full Administrative Record for the public to view and examine. These documents will also be searchable, he said. It includes more than 14,000 documents totaling more than 150,000 pages.

“As the official source of project information, we want to ensure that the public has access to this entire document. In making this available online, the message is that we welcome the public’s review,” Grabauskas said.

In addition, HART will upload additional project documents, designs, correspondence with the Federal Transit Administration and existing agreements with various agencies related to rail construction work.

As HART’s new chief executive, Grabauskas runs the agency responsible for the construction, operation and maintenance of the \$5.2 billion rail project. The HART board of directors selected him as the new CEO/executive director in March.

The 20-mile Oahu rail transit system running from East Kapolei to Ala Moana is expected to open in 2019. For updates on construction work days and times and more details about the project, visit the project website at www.honolulutransit.org or contact our hotline at 566-2299.

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