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In case this has gotten lost in the electronic mist, here's what Mr. Anderson's aide identified as topics of interest when they first requested a meeting with TPE staff:

We would like to discuss the FTA's reporting requirements, if any, as relates to communications between an applicant's legislative and executive branches and how the relationships between these branches may impact the FTA's overall review of a proposed project. More importantly, we would like to discuss ways that communications between the FTA and applicant can or are made available to the public. Lastly, we'd like to talk about how the FTA considers an applicant's financial plans and what aspects of a financial plan are considered by the FTA in ranking a project and making subsequent New Starts awards.

Our office has several specific concerns regarding the project which he believes would be best addressed by the FTA - as these concerns relate to various aspects of the project which, based on available documentation, are being reviewed by the FTA.

Lastly, the Councilmember would like to get a general sense of the direction in which the New Starts program is headed and how this may affect future segments of Honolulu's project when we look to expand our scope of work beyond the Minimum Operable Segment.