

What the anti-rail petitioners didn't say...



"If you are like me, I had signed the Anti-Rail Petition to stop rail without much thought. I later learned the following information and removed my name from the Petition. I urge you to do the same for the sake of our children, grand children, and great grandchildren."

Auntie Jennie Chun

Here's some of the other things I didn't know:

Anti-Rail Petition

Proposed Car HOT lanes/toll road—Called "LEXUS LANES" on the Mainland.

Cost to use - \$8 to \$12 per trip during rush hour

• Gasoline increasing to \$5 a gallon or more.

Proposed Bus HOT Lanes.

Roger Morton, the head of The Bus in Honolulu says, "it won't work. Buses already arrive every 45 seconds in Waikiki and every 30 seconds on King St. during rush hours. The downtown streets are already filled to capacity during rush hour and more buses coming off HOT Lanes during rush hour would lead to bus gridlock."

Funding - 20-mile toll road would cost billions • No federal or state funding • 1/2% state excise tax can only be used for fixed guideway • Cannot build.

Environment - Toll roads would be elevated and 25% wider than the rail line • Environmental visual blight • More cars, buses and pollution • Encourages more use of gasoline.

Anti-Rail petition calls for a Special Election • Will cost taxpayers \$1.5 to \$2 million.

Modern Rail Transit

Cost to Use - Same as the charge for TheBus and TheBoat • If it were running today it would be \$2 per trip.

Rail Transit - No congestion

• Timely departures and timely arrivals • Current bus routes, bikeways, and pedestrian pathways will be expanded to feed into the rail system.

Funding - Federal -- \$900 million in federal funds has been promised • State 1/2% excise tax already being collected • Waiting to be built.

Environment - Runs on electricity not gasoline •

Electricity can come from multiple renewable sources: wind, solar, H-power • Sierra Club Oahu Chapter has endorsed rail transit.

No special election needed • Ready to go

Heard enough? Want to get your name off the petition too?

Fill out this form and mail it to:

GoRailGo

P.O. Box 31354, Honolulu, Hi 96820

We'll take care of submitting it to the City Clerk at the proper time.

Office of the City Clerk
Honolulu Hale

My name is _____ and I currently reside at
print full name

(residence address as printed on voter registration--no P.O. boxes.)

Please remove my name from the Stop Rail Now petition.

Mahalo,

signature

print name

date

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