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1. Do you believe that walking and bicycling should be safe transportation options available to all and that we need to drastically reduce injuries and deaths of people walking and biking?

YES: I moved to Kailua town because of its walkability. I support safer walking and bicycling efforts for all of our communities. The best way to do that is by committing to Vision Zero as outlined in the Updated 2019 O`ahu Bike Plan. I fully support implementing traffic calming measures and best practices, improving interagency collaboration, and increasing cooperation with the Honolulu Police Department on effective enforcement.

2. We currently have 46 miles of shared use path (pedestrian and bicycle) paths and 51 miles of bike lanes. Do you support building 30 new miles of shared use paths and 30 new miles of bike lanes by 2030, which will also make streets safer for pedestrians?

YES: Supporting green industries and projects as part of any infrastructure investment (federal, state, or county) is a win-win situation for all of us. It will help support green industries as part of economic diversification, help Hawaii as we strive to achieve 100% renewable energy generation by 2045, and provide increased opportunities for safer bicycle and pedestrian projects.

3. Do you support implementation of Honolulu's Complete Streets ordinance (ROH 14-33) that requires streets to be planned, designed, operated, and maintained to enable safe, convenient and comfortable travel for all modes of transportation throughout Honolulu, including walking and bicycling?

YES: I fully support the City's Complete Streets initiative. Effective transportation and land use planning will be key in effectuating this initiative and should supplement our efforts to increase infrastructure funding for implementation.

4. Prior to 2020 and COVID-19, seventy-nine percent of Oahu commuters drove as their primary way of getting to work and 15% walked, biked, or took public transportation. However, 55% of Oahu car trips are under 3 miles. Do you support the establishment of specific targets to reduce dependence on private automobile transportation and increase bicycling, walking, and transit use?

YES: We should definitely have specific targets because it supports the City's Complete Streets initiative and will help Hawaii as we strive to achieve 100% renewable energy generation by 2045.

5. Describe ways you have supported safer walking and bicycling in your community. (short answer)

As mentioned earlier, I moved to Kailua town because of its walkability. I support safer

walking and bicycling efforts for all of our communities and commit myself to advancing all efforts to do so.

6. The City has the Oahu Bike Plan and is in the process of creating the first Oahu Pedestrian Plan. What will you do when elected to implement these plans? (short answer)

I would prioritize actionable items that can be implemented through policies or funding that have been identified in the reports. I would then work with my colleagues, stakeholders, and the Mayor's office toward implementation. I believe my extensive federal experience will be helpful as we leverage federal resources from the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Authority, and other entities. The Hawai`i Bicycling League will be a key ally in this overall endeavor.

7. Trees lower temperature during the day, provide protection from the sun and rain, are a nice buffer to cars, and have a calming effect on traffic. Given that trees make it safer and more comfortable to walk and bicycle, do you support adding more trees to your area's inventory?

YES: My family owned a plant nursery business for over 30 years so I have a great appreciation for trees. In order to advance the planting of more trees, we must do all that we can to ensure that all governments (federal, state, and county) complement each other and support these efforts in policies and funding initiatives. I also stand ready to work with communities, non-profit organizations, and the private sector to advance our objectives from day one. Fortunately for the Windward Region, we have lots of plant nurseries in Waimanalo ready to help us establish or secure the necessary inventory.