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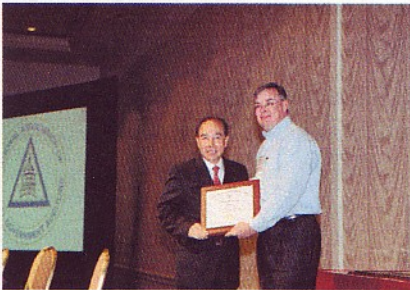
Media Release



*Office of the City Auditor
City and County of Honolulu
State of Hawai'i*

City Auditor Wins National Award for Road Maintenance Audit

The Office of the City Auditor, City and County of Honolulu, was awarded the prestigious Silver Knighton Award for medium size audit shops from the National Association of Local Government Auditors (N.A.L.G.A.) during its recently held annual training conference in San Jose, California. The award was in recognition of the City Auditor's 2005 performance audit report, *Audit of the City's Road Maintenance Practices*, Report No. 05-03. Presentation of the award was made by Mr. George McGowen, Chair of the Awards Committee, to City Auditor, Leslie Tanaka during a luncheon session on May 22, 2006.



Leslie Tanaka receiving the Silver Knighton Award from Mr. George McGowen, Chair of the Awards Committee

N.A.L.G.A. is a professional organization established to improve local government auditing. The organization disseminates information and ideas about financial and performance auditing, provides training, and offers a national forum to discuss auditing issues. N.A.L.G.A. was formed in 1989 and has enjoyed a growing membership since that time. There are currently more than 2000 members of N.A.L.G.A., representing a wide diversity of audit organizations. Some N.A.L.G.A. members represent one-person audit organizations and others are part of organizations with 45 professionals.

N.A.L.G.A. recognizes excellent auditing with its annual Knighton Award. Independent judges evaluate the submitted reports on the basis of their scope and potential for significant impact, the persuasiveness of their conclusions, the focus of their recommendations on effective and efficient government, their clear and concise communications style, and their innovation.

The judges noted that the *Audit of the City's Road Maintenance Practices* performed by the City Auditor's Office of the City and County of Honolulu was a comprehensive and thorough review of the City's road maintenance practices. The audit report was persuasive in demonstrating the value of the audits' scope to the City of Honolulu and provided strong support for audit conclusions and recommendations. The report also showed a high degree of professionalism and innovativeness by bringing various road maintenance issues to the readers' attention and what are best practices in relation to other communities. Charts and exhibits illustrating various performance measures related to road maintenance were well done.

National Association of Local Government Auditors



2005 Knighton Award

SILVER

The National Association of Local Government Auditors hereby presents this award to

City and County of Honolulu, Office of the City Auditor

for its performance audit entitled "Audit of the City's Road Maintenance Practices"



Harriet Richardson

Harriet Richardson, President of N.A.L.G.A.

Presented at the 2006 Annual Conference of the
National Association of Local Government Auditors
May 23, 2006
San Jose, California