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MEMORANDUM

TO: THE HONORABLE CALVIN SAY
HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GAVIN KENNEDY, LEGISLATIVE ANALYST
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THROUGH: JAMES WILLISTON, DIRECTOR
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SUBJECT: **REVIEW OF THE MAYOR'S PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR CONSISTENCY WITH CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 8 (PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE MAPS), REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU**

The projects proposed by the Mayor in Bill 7 (2021), the Executive Capital Budget Bill for FY 2022 have been reviewed for consistency with the City's public infrastructure maps ("PIMs"). Chapter 4, Article 8, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("ROH"), relates to the adoption of PIMs, and specifies which major public facilities must be shown on a PIM prior to the appropriation of land acquisition or construction funds. A project qualifies as major public infrastructure if it meets the following criteria:

1. It has a significant impact on surrounding land uses or the natural environment;
2. It establishes a new facility;
3. It substantially changes the function of an existing facility; or
4. It involves modification (replacement or renovation) of an existing facility which would permit significant new development or redevelopment.

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ROH Section 4-8.1(e) provides that the City Council has the authority to resolve all questions of interpretation regarding whether a project requires placement of a symbol on the PIM.

Proposed Capital Projects by the Mayor

Section 6-1503(c), Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (2017 Edition), requires the Department of Planning and Permitting ("DPP") to review the Executive Capital Budget for conformance with the City's development plans and this memo was produced using, in part, the information provided in DPP's review contained in Departmental Communication 197 (2021). We concur with the DPP that the Mayor's proposed projects contained in Bill 7 (2021): 1) are properly designated on a PIM; 2) are exempt or minor projects that do not need to be shown on PIMs; or 3) need not be placed on PIMs since they do not involve appropriations for land acquisition or construction.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.