

#### **COUNCILMEMBER ANDRIA TUPOLA**

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Relating to the appointment of Mr. Pane Meatoga III to serve on the Planning Commission of the City and County of Honolulu.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my reservations regarding the recommendation of Pane Meatoga III to the Planning Commission. Mr. Meatoga is registered as an active lobbyist for the State of Hawaii with area of lobbying checked off for planning land and water use management. Please see attached.

I had similar concerns about Nathaniel Kinney being nominated to the Planning Commission as the executive director of the Hawaii Construction Alliance and an active lobbyist as well. Since our recommendation of him to the Planning Commission, Mr. Kinney has resigned from the Hawaii Construction Alliance and is on inactive status on the State Lobbyist registration which clears up his previously held potential conflict. Please see attached.

We need to avoid apparent and potential conflicts of interest. I've known Mr. Meatoga for a very long time as well as his family. I have no problem with his personal ability to make unbiased choices. However, we will be setting a precedent by allowing an active lobbyist in the same area to sit on a commission. We will be setting a precedent where perhaps every group with a stake in the planning commission will want a commission seat. The litmus test for ethical behavior is much more sensitive today than ever before. With numerous high-profile corruption cases, we need to restore trust in our political institutions and stay out of the gray area. I hope that any potential conflicts can be resolved before final reading.

Respectfully.

Andria Tupola

Honolulu City Councilmember

District 1 'Ēwa Beach, Kapolei, Nānākuli, Wai'anae

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PaneMeatoga III-Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry (2021-2022)

# Registered Lobbyist and Client/Organization

Lobbyist

Pane Meatoga III (/public/s/contact/0032K00002LhDDfQAN/pane-meatoga-iii)

Organization ()

 $Hawaii\ Operating\ Engineers\ Industry\ Stabilization\ Fund\ (\/public/s/account/0016A00000|mVQNQA2/hawaii-operating-engineers-industry-stabilization-fund)$ 

**Lobbying Firm** 

Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (/public/s/account/0016A00000|mVQNQA2/hawaii-operating-engineers-industry-stabilization-fund)

## **Lobbyist Registration Info**

Registration Name

PaneMeatoga III-Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry (2021-2022)

Registration Year

2021-2022

Date Filed

12/22/2020

**Effective Lobbying Date** 

1/1/2021

Date Amended

**Effective Lobbying Termination Date** 

Status

Active

## **Subject Areas of Lobbying**

Agriculture

**Human Services** 

**Communications and Public Utilities** 

Intergovernmental Relations, Internation

Consumer Protection and Commerce

Labor and Employment

Culture, Arts, Historic Preservation

Planning, Land and Water Use Management

Ecology, Energy Environmental Protection

**Public Safety and Corrections** 

Education

Science, Technology and Economic Develop

**Government Operation and Finance** 

Tourism and Recreation			
Hawaiian Affairs			
Transportation			
Health			
Other			
Housing			
Other Subject Areas			
Comments			

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Pane Meatoga III



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NathanielKinney-Hawaii Construction Alliance (2021-2022)

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Nathaniel Kinney (/public/s/contact/0032K00002LgblwQAB/nathaniel-kinney)

Organization (1)

Hawaii Construction Alliance (/public/s/account/0016A00000lmuKpQAI/hawaii-construction-alliance)

Lobbying Firm

Hawaii Construction Alliance (/public/s/account/0016A00000|muKpQAI/hawaii-construction-alliance)

## **Lobbyist Registration Info**

Registration Name

NathanielKinney-Hawaii Construction Alliance (2021-2022)

Registration Year

2021-2022

Date Filed

1/6/2021

**Effective Lobbying Date** 

1/1/2021

Date Amended

5/28/2021

**Effective Lobbying Termination Date** 

5/16/2021

Status

Inactive

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