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REGULAR MEETING 22ND SESSION WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER 3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to adjournment, the regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by the Chair and Presiding Officer, Tommy Waters, at 10:19 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Councilmembers present:

Councilmembers Cordero (via video conferencing), Elefante, Fukunaga, Kiaʻāina, Say, Tulba, Tupola, Waters – 8.

Absent: Councilmember Tsuneyoshi – 1.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Councilmember Tupola welcomed Director Uchida, Director Miyasaki and Director Hashiro.

The following individuals testified in person at the Council Chamber:

- 1. Carlino Giampolo (M-235) (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 2. Ed Pskowski (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 3. Joseph Uno (M-221) (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 4. Choon James, Country Talk Story (M-221) (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)

- 5. Anthony Aalto, Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation Board (Support Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 6. Malia Otto (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 7. Thomas Brandt (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 8. Joshua Marquez (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1)

The following individuals testified via video conference:

- 9. Krista Lunzer, Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (M-226) (Support and available for questions on Resolution 22-134)
- 10. Natalie Iwasa (Support Bill 28, CD1), (General comment on Bill 13, Bill 14, CD2, Bill 15, CD2, Resolution 22-45, Bill 18, CD1, Bill 19, CD2), (Support Bill 37), (M-221) (Oppose Resolution 22-127, CD1), (M-227) [Oppose Bill 62 (2020), CD1]
- 11. Danielle Bass, Mililani Neighborhood Board #25 (M-221) (General comment on Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 12. Trevor Nagamine, Mililani Neighborhood Board #25 (D-402) (General comment on Resolution 22-127, CD1)
- 13. Franklin Wong, Department of Education (M-230) (General comment on Resolution 22-117)
- 14. Harmony Bentosino (M-225) (Oppose Bill 14, CD2)
- 15. Stephanie Kendrick, Hawaiian Humane Society (M-225) (Support Bill 14, CD2)
- 16. Robert Cavaco, State of Hawai'i of Organization of Police Officers (M-225) (Support Bill 14. CD2)
- 17. Joseph Cadiz (General comment on Resolution 22-79, CD2)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that the Minutes of the 21st Session be approved, subject to corrections by Councilmembers within 30 days. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI - 1.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-98 - COMMITTEE REPORT 158

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF KIMBERLY M. HASHIRO, TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CUSTOMER SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Committee Report 158 and Resolution 22-98 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Fukunaga.

Committee Report 158 and Resolution 22-98 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI - 1.

Related communication:

D-401 Board of Water Supply

ADOPTION

COMMITTEE REPORT 133

RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL LANDS ADVISORY COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 17-44.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 133 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Fukunaga.

Committee Report 133 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 22-120

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SETH T. BUCKLEY TO SERVE ON THE LIQUOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Seth Buckley (General comment)

In response to Councilmember Kiaʻāina, Mr. Buckley stated that he is aware of the allegations of discriminatory patterns in enforcement and treatment of certain liquor establishments. He stated that as a Commissioner he will look into those allegations and do what he can to ensure all establishments are treated impartially by the Liquor Commission.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina stated that Mr. Buckley comes highly recommended and that she looks forward to him serving on the Liquor Commission. She also thanked him for his willingness to serve and stated that she will support legislation to prevent discrimination of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer members of the community. Councilmember Kiaʻāina stated her support for the nomination.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 22-120 to the Committee on Budget for further consideration.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 22-121

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DILLON HULLINGER TO SERVE ON THE LIQUOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Dillon Hullinger (General comment)

In response to councilmembers, Mr. Hullinger stated that:

- After a public hearing on the proposed rules, a Personal [sic] Interaction Group was formed to review the rules.
- The rules were drafted prior to the COVID pandemic and the 24-hour closure rule.

- He feels that at this point the rules are no longer necessary.
- He stated that he is still learning how the City works and uses his own judgment to determine what is correct or incorrect.
- The Liquor Commission is forming a Personal [sic] Interaction Group to come up with the Administrator's job duties.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that she supports the nomination.

Councilmember Elefante noted for the record that he filed a Disclosure of Interest Statement with the City Clerk's Office (M-200).

Chair Waters referred Resolution 22-121 to the Committee on Budget for further consideration.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 22-122

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF GREGORY THIELEN TO SERVE ON THE BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Gregory Thielen (General comment)

Councilmember Kia'āina thanked Mr. Thielen for his willingness to serve on the Building Board of Appeals. She stated that with his background he will serve the Board well.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 22-122 to the Committee on Zoning and Planning for further consideration.

Related communications:

M-214 Testimony on Resolution 22-122 M-215 Testimony on Resolution 22-122

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING BILL 27, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 135

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC PLACES.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 135 be adopted and Bill 27 pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Say.

Councilmember Tupola stated that the Hawai'i Restaurant Association reported that their industry has been one of the hardest hit during the pandemic and that the proposed pilot project for outdoor dining services is essential for helping them to recover. She stated that her position has always been to help local businesses and families stay in Hawai'i and that we should allow restaurants, bars and other small business across the City the opportunity for economic growth. Councilmember Tupola stated that she supports Bill 27 and she hopes that the Council and the Administration will work together to find other equally innovative approaches to incentivize economic activity throughout the City and industries.

Committee Report 135 was adopted and Bill 27, CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

RESOLUTION 22-99 – COMMITTEE REPORT 140

RESOLUTION INITIATING AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU 1973 (AMENDED 2017 EDITION), AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF COUNCIL SERVICES.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 140 be adopted and Resolution 22-99 pass second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Fukunaga.

Committee Report 140 was adopted and Resolution 22-99 passed second reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

BILL 30, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 138

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO RECODIFY THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 1990.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 138 be adopted and Bill 30 pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Fukunaga.

Committee Report 138 was adopted and Bill 30, CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

BILL 28, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 151

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EAST HONOLULU SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLAN.

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 151 be adopted and Bill 28 pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

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Committee Report 151 was adopted and Bill 28, CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

BILL 33 – COMMITTEE REPORT 157

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO INDIGENOUS PLANTS IN PUBLIC BEACH PARKS.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Committee Report 157 be adopted and Bill 33 pass second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Elefante.

Committee Report 157 was adopted and Bill 33 passed second reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

Related communication:

M-220 Testimony on Bill 33

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-80, CD1 - COMMITTEE REPORT 152

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISION TO THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE MAP FOR THE PRIMARY URBAN CENTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AREA.

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 152 and Resolution 22-80, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

Councilmember Elefante stated that the new fire station is in the Pearl City district which he represents. He thanked the Fire Department for their efforts in engaging with the community and Pearl City residents who had concerns and who came out to participate in the process. Councilmember Elefante noted he looks forward to continued discussion on finding a new home for the Fire Department.

Committee Report 152 and Resolution 22-80, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI - 1.

Related communication:

M-223 Testimony on Resolution 22-80, CD1

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-128 - COMMITTEE REPORT 156

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REVISION TO THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE MAP FOR THE CENTRAL OAHU SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLAN AREA.

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 156 and Resolution 22-128 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

Committee Report 156 and Resolution 22-128 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

THIRD READING

BILL 13 – COMMITTEE REPORT 126

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 126 be adopted and Bill 13 pass third reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Committee Report 126 was adopted and Bill 13 passed third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

Related communication:

M-228 Testimony on Bill 13

THIRD READING

BILL 14, CD2, FD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 127

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE OPERATING BUDGET AND PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

The following amendments were posted on the agenda:

Bill 14, CD2, Proposed FD1 (Budget Floor Draft Summary) (OCS2022-0489/5/26/2022 2:12 PM) Bill 14, CD2, Proposed FD1 (OCS2022-0491/5/31/2022 11:56 AM)

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 127 be adopted and Bill 14, CD1 pass third reading, as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Councilmember Say moved that the Bill be amended to the proposed FD1 posted on the addendum (OCS2022-0491/5/31/2022 11:56 AM). Seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Councilmember Say explained the FD1 amendment.

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Councilmember Tupola highlighted items in Bill 14 that impacted her community and thanked all who were involved, including \$25,000 for the Office of the Culture and the Arts for an interpreter; \$240,000 for trash bins, \$750,000 for the Kea'au Beach Park, and \$1 million for additional patrol staffing.

Councilmember Say stated that the Operating budget is \$3.216 billion and encompasses all the services that the general public is receiving. He noted that it was enjoyable working with the Administration as the Council received answers to the questions. Councilmember Say stated that this is the Council's and Administration's budget.

Bill 14, CD2 was amended to the posted FD1 (OCS2022-0491/5/31/2022 11:56 AM).

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

Committee Report 127 was adopted and Bill 14, CD2, FD1 passed third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

Related communications:

CC-166 Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante

M-225 Testimony on Bill 14, CD2 M-231 Testimony on Bill 14, CD2

THIRD READING

BILL 15, CD2, FD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 128

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

The following amendments were posted on the agenda:

Bill 15, CD2, Proposed FD1 (OCS2022-0463/5/24/2022 4:26 PM) not considered Bill 15, CD2, Proposed FD1 (Budget Floor Draft Summary) (OCS2022-0484/5/26/2022 11:35 AM)

The following amendment was handcarried to the meeting:

Bill 15, CD2, Proposed FD1 (OCS2022-0486/5/31/2022 9:53 AM)

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 128 be adopted and Bill 15, CD1 pass third reading, as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Councilmember Say moved that the Bill be amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2022-0486/5/31/2022 9:53 AM). Seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Councilmember Say explained the FD1 amendment.

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Councilmember Say voiced his support of the measure. He stated that the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds were put into the capital improvement budget to give the City a 2-year window of opportunity to encumber and expend the funds. Councilmember Say requested that all councilmembers start talking with the Administration or Departments regarding these appropriations.

Councilmember Tupola stated her appreciation for having monies allocated for the drainage issues in her community and the much-needed bus shelters in Waianae.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina expressed her appreciation for the \$12.5 million for the Department of Land Management for vacant or abandoned property improvements, \$10 million for affordable housing and pandemic-impacted communities, \$5.2 million for the home ownership assistance program, \$215,000 for the Office of Community Services, Community-Based Development Division, and \$2 million to provide equity to citizens from the Freely Associated States of Micronesia who were not eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency COVID death benefits.

Councilmember Elefante stated that this is his last budget and expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to be part of the process and to vote on a balanced budget.

Councilmember Tulba stated that he will be voting in support of Bill 15. He noted that he is glad to see the Administration and the City Council come together to use the ARPA funds and believes that this is what the community wants to see, the Administration and the City Council working together and hopefully using the monies to make a lasting impact.

Councilmember Cordero voiced her appreciation for the opportunity to serve on the Budget Committee for the last two cycles and to witness how a pandemic affects the process. She stated that the Council needs to make sure that the programs that are supported in the budget will continue to be sustainable. Councilmember Cordero stated that she supports the Bill.

Councilmember Say thanked the Office of Council Services staff and his Chief of Staff.

Bill 15, CD2 was amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2022-0486/5/31/2022 9:53 AM).

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI - 1.

Council Rule 19.G relating to 48-hour notice was waived.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

Committee Report 128 was adopted and Bill 15, CD2, FD1 passed third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA.

WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI - 1.

Related communication:

M-222 Testimony on Bill 15, CD2

Councilmember Tupola acknowledged and thanked former Acting Police Chief Rade Vanic for all he has done and for responding to all the councilmembers' questions. She also welcomed new Police Chief Arthur Joe Logan and stated that she looks forward to working with him.

Chair Waters stated his appreciation to former Acting Chief Rade Vanic and Chief Logan for all their hard work and stated that he looks forward to working with Chief Logan.

THIRD READING

BILL 16 – COMMITTEE REPORT 129

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU IN A MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AGGREGATE OF THE AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET ORDINANCE OF SAID CITY AND COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, AND SPECIFIED IN SAID ORDINANCE TO BE FINANCED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS AND TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND FUND, THE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT BOND FUND, SOLID WASTE IMPROVEMENT BOND FUND, OR THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL FUND.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 129 be adopted and Bill 16 pass third reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 129 was adopted and Bill 16 passed third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-229 Testimony on Bill 16

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-45 - COMMITTEE REPORT 132

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE REAL PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 132 and Resolution 22-45 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Committee Report 132 and Resolution 22-45 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-224 Testimony on Resolution 22-45

THIRD READING

BILL 18, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 130

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR RAPID TRANSPORTATION OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 130 be adopted and Bill 18 pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Councilmember Say provided a brief background on the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART). He noted that most mayors did not sign the operating and capital budgets because of a question in the City Charter. Councilmember Say stated that the role and responsibility of HART was to plan, design and construct and the operation and maintenance would be done by the Department of Transportation Services. He also stated that he hopes the Federal Transit Administration will consider the Recovery Plan and release the \$744 million balance of the Full Funding Grant Agreement so that HART can utilize the funds to lower financing costs and will not have to float bonds.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated she will be voting no on both Bills 18 and 19. She stated that promises been made to the people have never happened and in Central Oahu the parking garage at Pearl Highlands has been removed. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated that HART is far from creating the project that the people were promised. She expressed her appreciation for the efforts of the new leadership of HART and the Administration.

Councilmember Fukunaga noted her continuing series of concerns and what Hart Board member Natalie Iwasa stated regarding the internal control statements. She stated that she will be voting no on both Bills 18 and 19. Councilmember Fukunaga stated that she believes there is still time to correct the errors and concerns that were raised by Ms. Iwasa and hopes that HART can continue to move forward.

Committee Report 130 was adopted and Bill 18, CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TUPOLA, WATERS – 6.

NOES: FUKUNAGA, TSUNEYOSHI, TULBA – 3.

THIRD READING

BILL 19, CD2 – COMMITTEE REPORT 131

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR RAPID TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 131 be adopted and Bill 19, CD1 pass third reading, as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Please see Bill 18, CD1 for comments by Councilmembers Say, Tsuneyoshi, and Fukunaga.

Committee Report 131 was adopted and Bill 19, CD2 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TUPOLA, WATERS – 6.

NOES: FUKUNAGA, TSUNEYOSHI, TULBA – 3.

Related communication:

M-233 Testimony on Bill 19, CD2

THIRD READING

RESOLUTION 22-79, CD2 - COMMITTEE REPORT 139

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE INITIATING AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU 1973 (AMENDED 2017 EDITION), AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CITY FUNDS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 139 be adopted and Resolution 22-79, CD1 pass third reading, as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Fukunaga.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

In response to Councilmember Elefante, Scott Hayashi, Director, Department of Land Management stated that the operation and maintenance funds are for lands purchased with the Clean Water and Natural Lands funds.

Councilmember Tupola stated that this Resolution will not conflict with the previous Charter amendment and that she looks forward to how the public votes on the measure. She stated that she will be working with the Director and other Departments to find more projects because there are enough funds to do more, but a better process should be established to notify the public when to apply and when funds are available.

Committee Report 139 was adopted and Resolution 22-79, CD2 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-219 Testimony on Resolution 22-79, CD2

FIRST READING

BILL 36

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 28, ARTICLE 7, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU, 1990, AS AMENDED RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that Bill 36 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Bill 36 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

FIRST READING

BILL 37

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Bill 37 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that she received a lot of emails from constituents, many of whom are retired and on a fixed income, that struggle to pay for their increased property taxes. She stated that updating the real property tax credit which was last done in 2014

would provide the lower income, and oftentimes kupuna aged, peace of mind knowing that they can afford to stay in their homes. Councilmember Kiaʻāina noted she introduced Bill 37 which would increase the income eligibility from \$60,000 to \$70,000 for homeowners, and Bill 38 which would increase the income eligibility of the real property tax credit from a combined income of \$60,000 to 80 percent of the Area Median Income established for two person households in Honolulu which is \$83,600 for 2022. She mentioned that other real property tax measures were also introduced by Chair Waters (Bill 31), Councilmember Fukunaga (Bill 7), and Resolution 22-123 which she introduced.

Bill 37 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

FIRST READING

BILL 38

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Bill 38 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Please see Bill 37 for Councilmember Kia'āina's comments.

Bill 38 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-127, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 134

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022 RECOVERY PLAN OF THE HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR RAPID TRANSPORTATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 134 and Resolution 22-127 as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Elefante.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Mayor Blangiardi asked the Council for their support of the Recovery Plan. He stated that he is confident with the work done on the Recovery Plan and the team from the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART).

HART Board Member Kika Bukoski stated that there has not always been an agreement on everything and in this case it is what makes for a better product. He stated that everyone agrees that the number will dictate what HART does and that is what the HART Board is committed to doing – understanding the numbers, how it was achieved, understanding the information that was given at the time, and that there may be changes along the way. Mr. Bukoski stated that he is confident that the HART Board is committed to looking out for the taxpayer dollars and trying to finish the project. He stated that the HART Board's responsibility and authority is to identify and secure additional funding to complete the project responsibly.

Lori Kahikina, Executive Director, HART commented that HART Board member Natalie Iwasa is a person who asks tough questions which makes the product better. She stated that the Recovery Plan is the best projection they have at this time. Director Kahikina provided a brief background on what was involved in developing the Recovery Plan and noted that they had to be conservative.

In response to councilmembers, Lori Kahikina, Executive Director, HART stated that:

- The numbers in the tables are the actual amounts that were collected.
- HART Board member Anthony Aalto mentioned a spur to Mililani with a parking garage where the ground may be more suitable.
- She had conversations with Leeward Community College and Alexander and Baldwin to build a parking structure.
- In the Recovery Plan there are the known unknowns in which HART may encounter utilities where they were not supposed to be and the unknown unknown inflationary costs. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) may want HART to increase the contingency numbers but they are awaiting the review of the Recovery Plan.
- Lagoon Drive is scheduled to open in 2025 and the Civic Center in 2030.
- The Recovery Plan is due to the FTA by June 30, 2022 in order to resume Federal funding.

In response to councilmembers, Roger Morton, Director, Department of Transportation Services (DTS) stated that:

- Existing plans for high level bus routes to go to Pearl City and Pearl Highlands which may be enhanced.
- He will get information from staff regarding updates on bus or shuttle service and inform affected communities.
- The Recovery Plan includes a table showing the operation and maintenance cost for both bus and rail.
- Approximately 4 years ago, DTS added \$10 million to the Windward and North Shore routes. He will provide information to councilmembers regarding the services that are being planned in Central Oahu.
- The speed of the trains will depend upon how quickly HART can accelerate and decelerate between stations. The top speed would probably be 50 miles per hour and the average speed would be 25 miles per hour.
- The initial ridership service to the Stadium would be 12,800 per day, to Middle Street and Lagoon Drive about 28,000 per day and to the Civic Center 85,000 per day.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated that bus routes were taken away to save money and that the routes that are being added are the ones that were originally taken out. She stated that she in not convinced that taking away a park and ride station which costs millions of dollars will have a cost saving given the additional bus routes that would be needed for the Central Oahu communities. She asked for a cost analysis between increased bus routes and the long-term plans to build the park and ride.

Mayor Blangiardi stated that the Administration and HART needs to get the FTA back as a construction partner. He stated that he did not want to give up the garage for Central Oahu but the cost was too much for this phase but they will look into different financing, maybe a possible public private partnership. He recognized the growth in Central Oahu, Kapolei, West Oahu.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated for the record that she appreciates the Administration and the new leadership at HART but the trajectory of the project remains the same, if not worse than when it was started. She stated that the decisions and actions to put monies into one project is what makes it difficult for residents to live in the City and County of Honolulu. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated that she will be voting no on the Recovery Plan because it is not fair to keep asking the people of the City and County of Honolulu to come up with more money and the FTA for millions of dollars.

Councilmember Tupola stated that it is good to have robust conversations. She noted that the public has been frustrated with years of mismanagement, waste, fraud, and abuse with the project and they want action and to get the project completed. Councilmember Tupola urged the City Administration to keep to the timeline in opening the approved sections. She stated that there has been a new HART Executive Director and that she has made a lot of positive changes. Councilmember Tupola stated that she is voting in support of the Recovery Plan that will be submitted to the FTA as part of the obligation under the project's Full Funding Grant Agreement in an effort to secure the remaining balance.

Councilmember Tulba stated that he appreciates the discussions. He stated that this is the City's chance to re-evaluate what is the best plan for rail. Councilmember Tulba stated his concern with how functional the rail line will be. He stated that he supports HART submitting the Recovery Plan to the FTA to meet the submission deadline but that he is not confident that HART will be able to follow the Recovery Plan and will vote no on the measure which represents those who testified in opposition.

Committee Report 134 and Resolution 22-127, CD1, as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TUPOLA, WATERS – 6.

NOES: FUKUNAGA, TSUNEYOSHI, TULBA – 3.

Related communications:

| CC-181 | Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante |
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| CC-182 | Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante |
| M-221 | Testimony on Resolution 22-127, CD1 |
| M-235 | Testimony on Resolution 22-127, CD1 |

RECESS/RECONVENE

At 1:15 p.m., the Chair called for a recess as noted on the agenda. With 7 members present (Excused: Fukunaga, Tsuneyoshi), the Chair reconvened the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-63, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 136

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF "SPLASH OF ALOHA" COOKBOOKS VALUED AT \$22,011 TO THE CITY FROM WATERMARK PUBLISHING TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE USE OF LOCALLY SOURCED INGREDIENTS.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 136 and Resolution 22-63 as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Say.

Committee Report 136 and Resolution 22-63, CD1, as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 7.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: FUKUNAGA, TSUNEYOSHI – 2.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-126, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 137

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE THE COUNCIL WITH A MONTHLY REPORT DETAILING THE CITY'S USE OF FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT FUNDING AND AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 137 and Resolution 22-126 as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Say.

Committee Report 137 and Resolution 22-126, CD1, as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA,

WATERS - 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TSUNEYOSHI – 1.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-104 – COMMITTEE REPORT 143

RESOLUTION APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS FOR THE HAWAI'I GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION BARGAINING UNIT 2, INCLUDED EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 143 and Resolution 22-104 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Committee Report 143 and Resolution 22-104 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

CC-185 Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante

M-216 Testimony on Resolution 22-104

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-105 - COMMITTEE REPORT 144

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO FURTHER AND CONTINUALLY IMPROVE THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, SHARING, AND STRATEGIC USE OF CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DATA AND THE MANAGEMENT THEREOF FOR PURPOSES OF MAXIMIZING THE SUSTAINABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND EFFICIENCY OF CITY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 144 and Resolution 22-105 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 144 and Resolution 22-105 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-113 - COMMITTEE REPORT 145

RESOLUTION APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS FOR THE HAWAI'I GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION BARGAINING UNITS 3, 4, AND 13, INCLUDED, EXCLUDED, AND EXCLUDED MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 145 and Resolution 22-113 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 145 and Resolution 22-113 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

CC-187 Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante

M-217 Testimony on Resolution 22-113

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-119 - COMMITTEE REPORT 146

RESOLUTION APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS FOR THE HAWAI'I FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION BARGAINING UNIT 11 INCLUDED AND EXCLUDED MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 146 and Resolution 22-119 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 146 and Resolution 22-119 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

CC-186 Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Elefante

M-232 Testimony on Resolution 22-119

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-131 – COMMITTEE REPORT 147

RESOLUTION RELATING TO APPROVAL OF THE COMPLETION OF AN EXCHANGE OF LAND BETWEEN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU AND THE STATE OF HAWAI'I, DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS AND A RELATED TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 147 and Resolution 22-131 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

In response to councilmembers, Peter Albinio, Acting Administrator, Land Management Division, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) stated that:

- The preliminary plan is for housing, and possibly expanding the proposed shopping center next to the property which will generate income.
- The Planning Office is looking at options for the land and the Administration is trying to explore every option.
- DHHL will inform Councilmember Tsuneyoshi's office when the next community meeting will be with the beneficiaries to discuss the land transfer.
- The Ewa Drum site is next to Leeward Community College and DHHL owns that land. That site is being swapped with the City for Varona Village and DHHL will do the development.
- The site the City is obtaining would be only for rail operations.
- The values are assessed differently because the property for DHHL was assessed at the lower agricultural rate instead on a higher commercial or industrial type rate.
 When DHHL acquired the land it was deemed agricultural.

Committee Report 147 and Resolution 22-131 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-132 – COMMITTEE REPORT 148

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 148 and Resolution 22-132 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 148 and Resolution 22-132 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-133 - COMMITTEE REPORT 149

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 149 and Resolution 22-133 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Committee Report 149 and Resolution 22-133 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-134, FD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 150

RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT OF EASEMENTS TO HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. FOR ELECTRICAL PURPOSES SERVING THE MAKALAPA STATION LOCATED AT 99-600 KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY, HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96701 (TMK: (1) 9-9-002-039).

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

Resolution 22-134, Proposed FD1

Councilmember Say moved that Committee Report 150 and Resolution 22-134 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Councilmember Say moved that the Resolution be amended to the posted FD1. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Councilmember Say explained the FD1 amendment.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Resolution 22-134 was amended to the posted FD1.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Committee Report 150 and Resolution 22-134, FD1 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

D-400 HART – Proposed FD1 for Resolution 22-134

M-226 Testimony on Resolution 22-134

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-112, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 153

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPOINTEES TO THE HAWAI'I COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 153 and Resolution 22-112, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

Committee Report 153 and Resolution 22-112, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-117, CD1 - COMMITTEE REPORT 154

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS AT THE KAOHAO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL IN LANIKAI, KAILUA.

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 154 and Resolution 22-117, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

Committee Report 154 and Resolution 22-117, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-230 Testimony on Resolution 22-117, CD1

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-118, CD1 - COMMITTEE REPORT 155

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING UNIT, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT, AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AT TAX MAP KEY 6-1-009:010 IN HALEIWA (KAWAILOA).

Councilmember Elefante moved that Committee Report 155 and Resolution 22-118, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

Committee Report 155 and Resolution 22-118, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-114 - COMMITTEE REPORT 159

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF ROOF REPAIR SERVICES TO THE CITY'S FOSTER BOTANICAL GARDEN GIFT SHOP FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE HONOLULU BOTANICAL GARDENS VALUED AT \$21,100.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Committee Report 159 and Resolution 22-114 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tsuneyoshi.

Committee Report 159 and Resolution 22-114 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

BALANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMLACR-141 Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and

County of Honolulu entitled <u>Joshua H. Dang, et al. v. City and</u> County of Honolulu, et al., Civil No. 18-1-1014-06 BIA (Cir. Ct.)

EMLACR-142 Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and

County of Honolulu entitled <u>Jayson Rivera</u>, et al. v. City and <u>County of Honolulu</u>, et al., Civil No. 1CCV-20-000281 JPC

(Cir. Ct.)

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that the Balance of Committee Reports, as listed above, be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The Balance of Committee Reports was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

THIRD READING

BILL 62 (2020), CD1

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO RECYCLING.

Bill 62 (2020), CD1 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Transportation, Sustainability and Health Committee (CC-188).

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Bill 62 (2020), CD1 pass third reading. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Please see list of individuals that testified via video conference, phone, or in-person on pages 1 to 2.

In response to councilmembers, Roger Babcock, Director, Department of Environmental Services (ENV) stated that:

- The Administration supports the recycling of food waste and if the Bill pass passes, ENV will implement it.
- The Bill mentions January 1, 2024 for the implementation date and if monies need to be put into the FY24 budget, ENV would not have those monies to start working until July 2023 which would give ENV 6 months to put together a project that is going to cost tens of millions.
- The cost would be \$9 million in labor costs, \$8.8 million for the composting fees. ENV would lose \$7.3 million in revenue from H-POWER tip fees, and \$6.5 million in lost electricity revenue, totaling \$33 or \$34 million per year in operating costs.
- If ENV uses existing drivers then there would not be a union contract issue.
- ENV is currently working on an organic waste sustainability master plan which looks at food waste, green waste, other waste, sewer sludge, electricity generation, and other things that all fold together and are important for the long term.
- To generate methane, food waste, or other waste, fats, oils, grease waste, and other things would be put into the anaerobic digesters at the treatment plants where methane would be made and recovered to make electricity.
- The Landfill Advisory Committee and the City is obligated under a Land Use Committee ruling to name a new site by December 31, 2022 and then open the site by March 2028. The sites were ranked but the recommendation was not to select any of the sites.
- After evaluating the cost of collecting green waste separately, it was decided that the green waste would be composted in Central Oahu under an existing contract.
- ENV has done some preliminary planning on how to do a pilot program and it would be good for ENV to learn about participation to make the program as effective as possible.

- Potentially Hawaiian Earth Recycling (HER) could get the contract but a new contract would be negotiated.
- Currently, vegetables and fruits go into the green bin.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated there are a lot of concerns of the benefits to the people if this measure passes. She noted her concerns that it currently benefits the contractors and she has voted no on the measure in the past. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated she will vote no on the measure due to not knowing the benefits to taxpayers and the burden placed on taxpayers.

Councilmember Tupola stated that when she does a community project, H-POWER always takes their waste. She noted that she likes the idea of a pilot program to know all the intricacies of how it will work. Councilmember Tupola stated that she is not in favor of the Bill at this time.

RECESS/RECONVENE

At 2:44 p.m., the Chair called for a short recess and reconvened the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

In response to councilmembers, Roger Babcock, Director, ENV stated that:

- In the Auditor's report, the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency
 has a pilot program for food waste from restaurants in Chinatown as opposed to
 residential food waste. It is just getting started so there are no results from that
 study yet.
- The green waste is collected in the green carts and is taken to the contractor, HER, to process into compost.
- ENV collects residential refuse with the carts and restaurants and commercial entities are required by Ordinance to do food recycling.
- The food waste collected in the gray bins go to H-POWER where it is burned and made into electricity. Food waste does not have any adverse effect on the H-POWER facility.

- If you put your food waste in the garbage disposal it goes into the wastewater where some gets dissolved, or screened out, or with the residue becoming part of the sludge which is anaerobically digested to produce methane. The solid materials from the sludge left out after the anaerobic digestion process are dried and made into pellets that are used for fertilizer.
- H-POWER is a City facility that is operated by a private contractor. There is a tipping fee for anything dropped off at H-POWER with the City receiving a substantial amount of revenue from the 70 megawatts of electricity produced.
- Under the contract, no matter how much waste the City brings to H-POWER, ENV pays the same tipping fee.

Councilmember Tupola stated that the City should put out a Request for Proposal to capture emissions at the Waimanalo Gulch which is currently not being done. She stated that many have asked her why the City does not capture those emissions to help the environment and generate revenue.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi stated that currently the food waste is being recycled for energy. She expressed her concern that under the Bill the City would be double paying. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi noted that the public should be educated to put their vegetables and fruits into the green bin to recycle food waste without paying any additional money.

Councilmember Elefante stated that he will be voting no on the measure because he is concerned that the City needs to phase the Bill in with a pilot program approach.

Chair Waters stated that the Bill was introduced in 2020 and is a policy call, he asked councilmembers to vote their conscience.

Councilmember Say stated that he supports Chair Waters' position to take the vote. He stated that he would like to see more compost on behalf of the future farmers of Hawai'i and that agriculture would be a big part of it because of food insecurity.

In response to Chair Waters, Roger Babcock, Director, ENV stated that there is plenty of time to start a pilot program.

Bill 62 (2020), CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA*, WATERS – 6.

NOES: ELEFANTE, TSUNEYOSHI, TUPOLA – 3.

^{*}Councilmember Tulba voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-227 Testimony on Bill 62 (2020), CD1

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-97, FD1

RESOLUTION NAMING THE MOKULUA DRIVE PORTION OF THE LANIKAI BIKEWAY FOR CYNTHIA THIELEN AND THE 'A'ALAPAPA DRIVE PORTION OF THE LANIKAI BIKEWAY FOR TED RODGERS.

Resolution 22-97 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Transportation, Sustainability and Health Committee (CC-189).

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

Resolution 22-97, Proposed FD1

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-97 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-97 be amended to the posted FD1. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola. Councilmember Kia'āina explained the FD1 amendment.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that she introduced the Resolution to recognize community leaders Cynthia Thielen and Ted Rodgers whose care for their community resulted in the creation of the Lanikai Bikeway which will be celebrating its 50th anniversary on July 1, 2022. She gave a brief background of the creation of the Lanikai Bikeway and noted that she also introduced Resolution 22-125 which calls for a Lanikai transportation management plan to address long-term challenges.

Councilmember Tupola stated that although she does not know Mr. Ted Rodgers, she thanked him for his service to the community. Councilmember Tupola stated that Cynthia was a legacy, was very detailed oriented, and a fighter to the end and thanked the Council for honoring her.

Chair Waters stated that while he was at the Legislature he passed a bill that prohibited people from parking in the bike lane.

Resolution 22-97 was amended to the posted FD1.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Resolution 22-97, FD1 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-218 Testimony on Resolution 22-97

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-111, FD1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF THREE (3) LENOVO NOTEBOOK WS P1 GENERATION 2 16G 10P LAPTOPS VALUED AT \$5,337.17 TO THE CITY FROM THE STATE OF HAWAI'I, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, FOR USE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S MEDICOLEGAL INVESTIGATORS.

Resolution 22-111 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Public Safety Committee (CC-176).

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

Resolution 22-111, Proposed FD1

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-111 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tulba.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi moved that Resolution 22-111 be amended to the posted FD1. Seconded by Councilmember Tulba. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi explained the FD1 amendment.

In response to Councilmember Cordero, Masahiko Kobayashi, Medical Examiner, Department of the Medical Examiner stated that they are working with the Department of Health (DOH) to get data to them and they will work to decrease the number of preventable deaths. The Medicolegal Investigators go to the scene and gather and input the

information into the computers and then transfer the data to the DOH. He stated that there is an on-line program for autopsy cases that makes it easy to transfer data to the DOH.

Councilmember Cordero thanked the Medical Examiner's Office for working with her because of the preventable deaths and suicides in her Council district.

Resolution 22-111 was amended to the posted FD1.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

Resolution 22-111, FD1 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-115

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT VALUED AT \$1000 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU POLICE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC AFFAIRS UNIT TO ATTEND THE HONOLULU POLICE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DINNER.

Resolution 22-115 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Public Safety Committee (CC-177).

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-115 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Resolution 22-115 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-116, FD1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF AWARDS BANQUET TICKETS VALUED AT \$2,500 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU POLICE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE 2022 HONOLULU POLICE WEEK AWARD WINNERS AND GUESTS.

Resolution 22-116 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Public Safety Committee (CC-178).

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

Resolution 22-116, Proposed FD1

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-116 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Councilmember Tsuneyoshi moved that Resolution 22-116 be amended to the posted FD1. Seconded by Councilmember Tulba. Councilmember Tsuneyoshi explained the FD1 amendment.

Resolution 22-116 was amended to the posted FD1.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TUPOLA, WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: TULBA – 1.

Resolution 22-116, FD1 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TUPOLA. WATERS - 8.

NOES: None. ABSENT: TULBA – 1.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-135

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A COUNCIL FRIENDSHIP RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF EDOGAWA CITY, JAPAN, AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-135 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Chair Waters apologized that the measure was not sent to the Committee on Executive Matters and Legal Affairs. He stated that Edogawa is coming to Honolulu next week to sign an agreement with the Mayor and the Resolution needed to be adopted before that happened.

Resolution 22-135 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TUPOLA, WATERS - 8.

NOES: None. ABSENT: TULBA – 1.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-136

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, LODGING AND RELATED EXPENSES TO THE CITY FROM DELIVERY ASSOCIATES, LTD. VALUED AT \$2,423.34 FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO ATTEND THE 2022 AMERICAN CITIES CLIMATE CHALLENGE IN SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, JUNE 15-17, 2022.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-136 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Resolution 22-136 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-137

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, LODGING AND RELATED EXPENSES TO THE CITY FROM DELIVERY ASSOCIATES, LTD. VALUED AT \$2,423.34 FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CLIMATE CHANGE, SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY TO ATTEND THE 2022 AMERICAN CITIES CLIMATE CHALLENGE IN SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, JUNE 15-17, 2022.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-137 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Resolution 22-137 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-139

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TUITION, TRAVEL, AND RELATED EXPENSES TO THE CITY FROM THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATORS (AAMVA) VALUED AT \$2,184.08 FOR THE ASSISTANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CUSTOMER SERVICES TO ATTEND A CONFERENCE IN PROVO, UTAH, FROM JUNE 20 – 24, 2022.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-139 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Resolution 22-139 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 22-140

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE HAWAI'I STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 22-140 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

Resolution 22-140 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI,

TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS - 9.

NOES: None.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Tupola mentioned that it is Samoan language week.

Councilmember Cordero wished Councilmember Tulba a happy belated birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:30 p.m., Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that the Council stand adjourned until Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 10 a.m. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola and there being no objections from the 9 members present, it was so ordered by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN I. TAKAHASHI City Clerk

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DATE APPROVED:

July 6, 2022