



# CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3077

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

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**Voting Members:**

Radiant Cordero, Chair  
Matt Weyer, Vice Chair  
Esther Kia'āina  
Calvin K.Y. Say  
Augie Tulba

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## WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

SPECIAL MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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### CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Committee on Budget was called to order by Committee Chair Radiant Cordero at 10:04 a.m. Councilmembers Kia'āina (voting member), Tulba (voting member), Tupola (non-voting member), and Weyer (voting member) were present at the meeting.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### FOR ACTION

[10:09 a.m.]

1. BILL 16 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 143

HART OPERATING BUDGET FOR FY 2024. Approving the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation Operating Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[10:13 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

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[10:13 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[10:14 a.m.]

Bill 16 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2023-0441/5/25/2023 12:19 PM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, TULBA, WEYER – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: SAY – 1.

Related communication:

CC-122 Councilmember Radiant Cordero

[10:15 a.m.]

2. BILL 17 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 144

HART CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FY 2024. Approving the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation Capital Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[10:23 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:24 a.m.]

Bill 17 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2023-0442/5/25/2023 12:33 PM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, TULBA, WEYER – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: SAY – 1.

Related communication:

CC-122 Councilmember Radiant Cordero

[10:24 a.m.]

3. BILL 14 (2023) – COMMITTEE REPORT 142

ONE-TIME REAL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT. Alleviating the tax burden on homeowners from escalating real property valuations.

[10:32 a.m.]

The following individual testified:

Natalie Iwasa (General comment)

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Cordero called for a recess at 10:34 a.m. With Councilmembers Dos Santos-Tam (non-voting member), Kia'aina (voting member), Tupola (non-voting member), Weyer (voting member) and Council Chair Waters (non-voting member) present, the meeting was reconvened at 10:41 a.m.

[10:43 a.m.]

Councilmember Tulba entered the Council Chamber.

[10:44 a.m.]

Bill 14 (2023) reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'AINA, TULBA, WEYER – 4.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: SAY – 1.

Related communication:

M-236 Testimony on Bill 14 (2023)

[10:44 a.m.]

4. RESOLUTION 23-33 – COMMITTEE REPORT 145

REAL PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR FY 2024. Determining the respective rates at which real property in the various general classes in the City and County of Honolulu shall be taxed per \$1,000 of assessed value for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[10:49 a.m.]

The following individual testified:

Natalie Iwasa (Oppose)

[10:52 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam exited the Council Chamber.

[10:57 a.m.]

Resolution 23-33 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, TULBA, WEYER – 4.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: SAY – 1.

Related communication:

M-234 Testimony on Resolution 23-33

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Cordero called for a recess at 10:57 a.m. With Councilmembers Kia'āina (voting member), Say (voting member), Tulba (voting member), Tupola (non-voting member), Weyer (voting member), and Council Chair Waters (non-voting member) present, the meeting was reconvened at 11:04 a.m.

[11:04 a.m.]

5. BILL 11 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 139

EXECUTIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FY 2024. Approving the Executive Operating Budget and Program for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[11:06 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[11:49 a.m.]

Councilmember Tulba exited the Council Chamber.

[11:52 a.m.]

Councilmember Tulba entered the Council Chamber.

[12:12 p.m.]

Councilmember Okimoto entered the Council Chamber.

[12:15 p.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[12:19 p.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Cordero called for a recess at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Cordero called for a recess at 12:54 p.m. With Councilmembers Kia'aina (voting member), Okimoto (non-voting member), Tupola (non-voting member), and Weyer (voting member) present, the meeting was reconvened at 1:36 p.m.

[1:39 p.m.]

Councilmembers Tulba and Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[1:52 p.m.]

Councilmember Say and Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

[1:58 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[2:08 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Cordero called for a recess at 2:53 p.m. With Councilmembers Kia'aina (voting member), Dos Santos-Tam (non-voting member), Okimoto (non-voting member), Say (voting member), Tupola (non-voting member), Weyer (voting member), and Council Chair Waters (non-voting member) present, the meeting was reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

[2:59 p.m.]

Councilmember Tulba entered the Council Chamber.

[3:00 p.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Natalie Iwasa (General comment)
2. Choon James (General comment)

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[3:05 p.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[3:08 p.m.]

Bill 11 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS20230439/5/25/2023 10:57 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, WEYER – 5.  
NOES: None.

Related communications:

CC-122 Councilmember Radiant Cordero  
CC-123 Council Chair Waters  
M-233 Testimony on Bill 11 (2023)  
M-238 Testimony on Bill 11 (2023)  
M-254 Testimony on Bill 11 (2023)

[3:08 p.m.]

6. BILL 12 (2023), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 140

EXECUTIVE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR FY 2024. Approving the Executive Capital Budget and Program for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[3:10 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer exited the Council Chamber.

[3:11 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[3:21 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina exited the Council Chamber.

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[3:22 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[3:33 p.m.]

Councilmember Okimoto exited the Council Chamber.

[3:36 p.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam exited the Council Chamber.

[3:44 p.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[3:58 p.m.]

Councilmembers Weyer and Kia'āina exited the Council Chamber.

[3:59 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[4:02 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[4:03 p.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Natalie Iwasa (General comment)
2. Choon James (General comment)
3. State Representative David Alcos (General comment)
4. Alan Quevido (General comment)

[4:05 p.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam exited the Council Chamber.



[4:17 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'aina exited the Council Chamber.

[4:17 p.m.]

Bill 12 (2023), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2023-0440/5/25/2023 12:42 PM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, SAY, TULBA, WEYER – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: KIA'AINA – 1.

Related communications:

CC-122 Councilmember Radiant Cordero  
CC-123 Council Chair Waters  
M-232 Testimony on Bill 12 (2023)

[4:18 p.m.]

7. BILL 13 (2023) – COMMITTEE REPORT 141

ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS. 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, 2024, 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.

[4:19 p.m.]

The following individual testified:

Choon James (General comment)

[4:20 p.m.]

Councilmember Tupola exited the Council Chamber.

[4:21 p.m.]

Bill 13 (2023) reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, SAY, TULBA, WEYER – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: KIA'ĀINA – 1.

[4:22 p.m.]

8. BILL 10 (2023) – COMMITTEE REPORT 138

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET FOR FY 2024. Approving the Legislative Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

[4:24 p.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Choon James (M-231) (General comment)
2. Natalie Iwasa (M-231) (General comment)

[4:29 p.m.]

Bill 10 (2023) amended to CD1 (OCS2023-0438/5/25/2023 11:37 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, SAY, TULBA, WEYER – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: KIA'ĀINA – 1.

Related communications:

CC-122 Councilmember Radiant Cordero  
M-231 Testimony on Bill 10 (2023)  
M-237 Testimony on Bill 10 (2023)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.