CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAI'I

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JUL 6 2025
PURSUANT TO ROH Sec. 1-2.5

No. 23-161

RESOLUTION

INITIATING AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU 1973 (AMENDED 2017 EDITION), AS AMENDED, RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, Section 9-103 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended ("Charter"), states that the annual executive capital budget must contain appropriations for public improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to establish a community-based capital improvement project program that requires an annual appropriation from the general improvement bond fund for community-based capital improvement projects recommended by neighborhood boards to benefit their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Council further desires that at least one percent of capital improvement program bond monies will be appropriated for community-based capital improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, the Council supports the solicitation of capital improvement project recommendations from the neighborhood boards by the Neighborhood Commission and the submission of such recommendations to the Council with the Mayor's proposed capital improvement program budget; and

WHEREAS, the Council will appropriate funds for capital improvement projects to fulfill the required one percent of capital improvement program bond monies requirement and shall consider proposed recommendations for capital improvement projects solicited from the neighborhood boards in making this appropriation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu:

1. That the following question be placed on the 2024 general election ballot:

"Shall the Revised City Charter be amended to establish a community-based capital improvement project program through which neighborhood board recommendations for community-based capital improvement projects must be transmitted to the City Council, which must appropriate at least one percent (1%) of the general improvement bond fund appropriations in the City's executive capital budget for capital improvement projects recommended by the neighborhood boards?"

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2. That Article IX ("Budgeting"), Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended ("Charter"), be amended by adding a new section to be designated by the Revisor of the Charter and to read as follows:

"**Section 9- Community Capital Improvement Project Program –**

1. The council shall appropriate at least one percent of the moneys appropriated from the general improvement bond fund in the annual executive capital budget and program for community-based capital improvement projects recommended by the neighborhood boards.

2. The neighborhood commission shall annually solicit recommendations for community-based capital improvement projects from the neighborhood boards and transmit the recommendations to the council at the same time the mayor submits the budget documents specified in Section 9-102.1 of this charter to the council.

3. The director of budget and fiscal services shall ensure that the appropriated funds are used for the intended community capital improvement projects and shall provide a report to the council on the status of such projects on a quarterly basis."

3. That in Section 2 of this resolution, new Charter material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing these Charter provisions for inclusion in the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended, the Revisor of the Charter need not include the underscoring.

4. That if these Charter provisions are amended by any other Charter amendment(s) approved by the electors in the 2024 general election, the Revisor of the Charter, in revising, compiling, or printing the Charter:

   a. May designate or redesignate articles, chapters, sections, or parts of sections and rearrange references thereto; and

   b. Shall, except as otherwise expressly provided in this resolution or in the other resolution(s) amending these Charter provisions, give effect, to the extent possible, to all of the amendments approved.

The Revisor of the Charter may also change capitalization or the forms of numbers, percentages, and monetary sums for the sake of uniformity.

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5. That upon adoption of this resolution by the Council and approval by the Mayor, the City Clerk is hereby directed:

   a. To prepare the necessary ballots with the question contained in this resolution and with spaces for "yes" and "no" votes on the question for presentation to the electors at the 2024 general election. The City Clerk may make technical and nonsubstantive changes to the form of the question presented in order to conform it to the form of other Charter amendment questions presented to the electors at the same election; and

   b. To publish the above-proposed Charter amendments at length in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the City and County of Honolulu at least 45 days prior to their submission to the electors at the 2024 general election.

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6. That upon approval of the Charter amendment question posed in this resolution by a majority of the electors voting thereon, as duly certified, the Charter amendments proposed in this resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
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