



# CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3077

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

**Voting Members:**  
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## AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023  
9:00 A.M.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TESTIMONY

Pursuant to Section 92-3.7, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, this meeting will be conducted as a remote meeting by interactive conference technology, with the following procedures in effect for the meeting:

### VIEWING THE MEETING

The meeting will be viewable: (1) by internet live streaming through <https://www.honolulucitycouncil.org/meetings>; (2) by televised live broadcast on 'Ōlelo TV Channel 54; and (3) on the monitor situated outside the Council Chamber. Viewers who experience a loss of viewing signal should try switching to another viewing option.

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Some Councilmembers and presenters may be participating in the meeting by interactive conference technology from remote locations.

### ORAL TESTIMONY

Oral testimony will be permitted on all items on the agenda. Each speaker may not have anyone else read their statement and is limited to a one-minute presentation.

### Remote Testimony

1. For direct access to submit oral testimony call: +1-253-215-8782, enter ID **87229953468** and Passcode **807185**.
2. To testify by videoconference visit: <https://hnlidoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlidoc/testimony>. Videoconference access information will be provided upon registration. Testifiers are encouraged to register/submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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### In-Person Testimony in the Council Chamber

Persons wishing to testify are requested to register by 9:00 a.m. by filling out the registration form in person outside the Council Chamber. Persons who have not registered will be given an opportunity to speak following the oral testimonies of the registered speakers.

**Oral testimony will be allowed when each agenda item is taken up, in the following order:**

1. **Remote testimony;**
2. **In-person testimony in the Council Chamber.**

### WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony may be uploaded at <https://hnlldoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlldoc/testimony> or mailed to Office of the City Clerk, Attention: Information Section, 530 South King Street, Room 100, Honolulu, HI 96813. If submitted, written testimonies, including the testifier's address, email address, and phone number, will be available to the public at <https://hnlldoc.ehawaii.gov>.

Should you have any questions, please call (808) 768-3819 or send an email to [darci.nago@honolulu.gov](mailto:darci.nago@honolulu.gov).

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If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability or an interpreter for a language other than English, please call the Office of the City Clerk Information Section at (808) 768-5822 between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or send an email to [darci.nago@honolulu.gov](mailto:darci.nago@honolulu.gov) as soon as possible or at least three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled.

**FOR ACTION**

1. **[RESOLUTION 23-148](#) – APPOINTMENT OF GWENETTE HIGA TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW I FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX APPEALS.** Confirming the appointment of Gwenette Higa to the Board of Review I for real property tax appeals of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on June 30, 2028. (Transmitted by Communication [MM-127](#); public hearing held 7/12/23)
  
2. **[RESOLUTION 23-175](#) – TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DCS).** Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$696,991 from the Provision for Grants Partnerships and Security activity (current expenses) to the Department of Community Services, Community Based Development activity (current expenses) for the fiscal year 2024 to meet the local match grant program needs of the DCS. (Transmitted by Communication [D-533](#))
  
3. **[RESOLUTION 23-166](#) – REAL PROPERTY TAX COMPROMISE.** Approving a one-time compromise of the real property taxes owed by Smith Beretania Bridge LP for the property located at 1170 Nuuanu Avenue for the tax year beginning July 1, 2021 in the amount due of \$18,668.20 plus applicable penalties and interest, and for the tax year beginning July 1, 2022 in the amount due of \$18,753.76 plus applicable penalties and interest, which sums represent the taxes due from the assessed value of the non-exempt commercial units. (Transmitted by Communication [D-502](#))
  
4. **[RESOLUTION 23-169](#) – WASTEWATER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS (SENIOR SERIES).** Authorizing the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services to issue and sell not to exceed \$225,000,000 principal amount of Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Senior Series 2023 and related matters. (Transmitted by Communication [D-515](#))

5. **BILL 42 (2023)** – RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION. Providing property tax relief to certain homeowners. (Bill passed first reading 7/12/23)

**PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 42 (2023)** (Submitted by Councilmember Cordero) – The CD1 (OCS2023-0646/7/17/2023 3:29 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. In new ROH § 8-7.\_\_, clarifies that the assessed value of the real property must not exceed the preceding tax year's assessed value by more than 8 percent.
- B. Makes various technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

6. **BILL 39 (2023)** – RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION. Establishing a real property tax exemption for certain real property located near an active landfill. (Bill passed first reading 7/12/23)

**PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 39 (2023)** (Submitted by Council Chair Waters) – The CD1 (OCS2023-0665/7/19/2023 2:18 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends SECTION 2 of the bill to specify that qualifying properties are entitled to an exemption from real property taxes and are exempt from the minimum real property tax levied under ROH § 8-11.1.
- B. In SECTION 2 of the bill, amends language to clarify that a claim for exemption, once allowed, continues upon the closure or relocation of an active landfill for up to 30 years.
- C. Adds a new SECTION 3 of the bill to specify that properties exempt under new ROH § 8-10.\_\_ are excepted from the minimum real property tax levied under ROH § 8-11.1(g). Renumbers subsequent SECTIONS of the bill.
- D. In renumbered SECTION 5 of the bill, amends the effective date to apply to tax years beginning July 1, 2025 and thereafter, and provides that the claim for exemption continues upon the closure or relocation of an active landfill for a period not to exceed 30 years.
- E. Makes various technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

7. [BILL 34 \(2023\)](#) – **RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION**. Addressing the real property tax home exemption. (Bill passed first reading 7/12/23)

Related communication:

[CC-205](#) Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Okimoto.

8. [BILL 40 \(2023\)](#) – **RELATING TO THE TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION FUND**. Establishing additional requirements for the Transit Construction Mitigation Fund. (Bill passed first reading 7/12/23)

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

If the need arises with respect to any item on this agenda, then pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), the Committee may consult in a closed meeting with its attorneys in executive session on questions and issues pertaining to the Council's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and/or liabilities relating to that item.

RADIANT CORDERO, Chair  
Committee on Budget