

RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF LOW-FLOW FIXTURES AT CITY PARKS.

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu ("City") provides showers and foot washing fixtures at beach parks and beach access points throughout the island of Oʻahu for the benefit of the public; and

WHEREAS, maintaining these facilities in good, operable condition allows the public to enjoy recreational activities and reduces water waste and pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Water Supply urged residents, businesses, and government agencies to reduce water use by 10 percent as a result of the Red Hill water contamination crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Facility Maintenance works to coordinate the City's compliance with national storm water run-off permitting requirements by implementing projects across the City that reduce water run-off into streams and the ocean; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation has embarked on an effort to improve its facilities to conserve water use and increase energy efficiency, including the conversion of multiple beach shower facilities from free-flowing to timed or low-flow fixtures, or both; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor held an opening ceremony and press conference on October 9, 2023, for a new low-flow shower, walkway, and drinking fountain at Kaimana Beach in Kapi'olani Regional Park, which was installed at a cost of approximately \$478,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council ("Council") has received numerous complaints from the public regarding some of the new fixtures at City parks, including non-operable showerheads, very weak water pressure, lack of proper drainage, vandalism, and closure of showers due to water leakage; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue to benefit public recreation while ensuring water conservation and reducing water run-off, the Council believes that it is important that public park facilities, including water fixtures and drainage installations, be consistently

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maintained and repaired to ensure they remain in good, operable condition; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Facility Maintenance, and the Department of Design and Construction are requested to provide the Council and the public with details regarding the installation and maintenance of low-flow fixtures at City parks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the departments are specifically requested to provide the following information within 30 days after the adoption of this resolution:

- A list of all completed installations of low-flow fixtures at City parks and their current condition;
- Plans for installation of new low-flow fixtures at City parks;
- A work plan for any repair and maintenance needed to keep the existing lowflow fixtures operating and useable by the public; and
- An accounting of the costs of fixtures that have been installed and a projection of future costs for all planned installations of new low-flow fixtures; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Facility Maintenance, and the Director of Design and Construction.

	Town Water		
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:			
FEB 5 2024	Councilmembers		

CITY COUNCIL CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII CERTIFICATE

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Introduced:

02/05/24

By: **TOMMY WATERS**

Committee: BUDGET (BUD)

Title:

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Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

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02/05/24	INTRO	 Introduced.
03/05/24	BUD	Reported out for adoption.
		CR-61
		5 AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ÃINA, SAY, TULBA, WEYER
03/25/24	CCL	Committee report and Resolution were adopted.
		9 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

MASHI, CITY CLERK GŁEN I. TA

TOMMY WATERS, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER