



**HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL**  
**KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU**  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

**COMMITTEE ON BUDGET**

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**Voting Members:**

Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Chair  
Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair  
Radiant Cordero  
Esther Kia'aina  
Matt Weyer

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**AGENDA**

REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025  
9:00 A.M.

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:

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As both English and Hawaiian are official languages of the State of Hawai'i, pursuant to Article XV, Section 4 of the Hawai'i State Constitution and Section 1-13 of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes, members of the public may testify in either language. For oral testimonies offered in 'Ōlelo Hawai'i, additional time as may be necessary will be allowed for the testifier to provide an English translation of their testimony.

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Remote Testimony

1. For direct access to submit oral testimony call: +1-253-215-8782, enter ID **86811844237** and Passcode **613730**.
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.

Persons wishing to testify in-person in the Council Chamber 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.

Written testimony may be uploaded at <https://hnlidoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlidoc/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://hnlidoc.ehawaii.gov>.

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**FOR ACTION**

1. **BILL 3 (2025) – RELATING TO INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESSES.** Amending Chapter 35, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 to address certain obsolete or unnecessary provisions. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing held 2/26/25)
  
2. **BILL 4 (2025), CD1 – RELATING TO SPONSORSHIPS.** Reestablishing a process to obtain sponsorships for City facilities, parks, programs, equipment, and tangible property within set guidelines and procedures for the purpose of optimizing non-property tax revenue sources. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing held 2/26/25)

[PROPOSED CD2 TO BILL 4 \(2025\)](#) (Transmitted by MM-31 and proposed by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam) – The CD2 makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends Section § 2-\_.2 Definitions, "City Asset" by deleting "tangible property" and replacing the phrase with "real or personal property" to capture the various types of City property that may be sponsored.
  
- B. Amends Section § 2-\_.2 Definitions, "Equipment" by clarifying that multiple pieces of equipment with a value in excess of \$25,000 can be subject to a sponsorship.
  
- C. Amends § 2-\_.2 Definitions, "Program" by adding the word "activity," after the phrase, "Any program" to capture, for example, a website established by a city agency to support small businesses.
  
- D. Amends Section § 2-\_.3 Exclusions, by providing a list of what typically is used for memorials.
  
- E. Amends § 2-\_.6 Sponsorship rules, by deleting the word "must" and replacing it with the word "may" such that rule-making is optional rather than mandatory.
  
- F. Deletes Section § 2-\_.7(a)(7) Sponsorship requirements, as it contains a vague standard and is redundant with Section § 2-\_.7(a)(2) which already requires conformity with sign regulations and state statutes relating to outdoor advertising, including billboards.

- G. Amends Section § 2-.7(a)(11) Sponsorship requirements, to make it the director's discretion whether to include an indemnity provision.
- H. Section § 2-.7(a)(12) Sponsorship requirements, requires termination terms but does not dictate what those terms should be.

Related communication:

[MM-31](#) Deputy Managing Director, submitting proposed amendments to Bill 4 (2025), CD1 – Relating to Sponsorships.

- 3. [BILL 9 \(2025\) – RELATING TO FEES AND CHARGES](#). Directing the Office of Council Services to prepare a consolidated table of fees and charges found in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, and to insert the table in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing held 2/26/25)

[PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 9 \(2025\)](#) (Submitted by Councilmember Weyer) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0155/2/24/2025 2:03 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends SECTION 2 of the bill to require that the City Administration notify the City Council through an official communication upon a change in fees or charges.
- B. Makes various technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

4. **Bill 15 (2025)** – **RELATING TO THE CLIMATE RESILIENCY FUND.** Creating a fund to receive and expend moneys to support climate resiliency. (Bill passed first reading 2/26/25)

**PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 15 (2025)** (Submitted by Councilmember Weyer) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0134/2/19/2025 7:44 AM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends SECTION 2 of the bill by amending the proposed ROH Section 6-\_\_\_.5(b) to:
- a. Clarify that the grant program will fund preventive and ameliorative measures relating to the experienced and anticipated effects of climate change;
  - b. Include installations of new lateral sewer connections for unsewered properties that were not previously serviced by a public sewer main as a preventive and ameliorative measure; and
  - c. Provide examples of the effects of climate change.
- B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

5. **BILL 16 (2025)** – **RELATING TO REFUSE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS.** Addressing the collection of refuse and recyclable materials. (Bill passed first reading 2/26/25)

6. [Bill 17 \(2025\)](#) – **RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.** Amending provisions relating to the real property tax home exemption. (Bill passed first reading 2/26/25)

[PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 17 \(2025\)](#) (Submitted by Councilmember Kia'aina) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0153/2/24/2025 4:12 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends SECTION 5 of the bill to provide that the ordinance applies to the tax years beginning July 1, 2027, and thereafter, instead of July 1, 2026, and thereafter.
- B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

Related communications:

[CC-44](#) Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Okimoto.

[CC-46](#) Disclosure of Interest Statement submitted by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam.

#### FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

7. [BILL 60 \(2024\)](#) – **RELATING TO SEWERS, DRAINAGE, AND CESSPOOLS.** Amending portions of Chapter 43, Revised Ordinance of Honolulu 2021, as amended, by: (1) amending § 43-6.2 to include Accessory Dwelling Units in the “Residential” sewer service charge customer classification, (2) amending § 43-6.6 to remove all information related to nonresidential strength surcharges and replace it with information on wastewater disposal charges for waste haulers, (3) amending APPENDIX 43-A to include new sewer service charges, wastewater disposal charges, and to remove extra strength wastewater charges as well as a second customer category, (4) amending § 43-10.3 to include Accessory Dwelling Units, (5) amending § 43-10.4 to remove references to wastewater strength, and (6) amending Appendix 43-C to include new Wastewater System Facility Charges. (Transmitted by Communication [D-773\[24\]](#); Bill passed first reading 11/7/24)

[PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 60 \(2024\)](#) – (Submitted by Councilmember Tupola) – The CD1 (OCS2024-1006/11/20/2024 4:12 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Renumbers SECTION 4 of the bill to SECTION 5. In renumbered SECTION 5, amends the Sewer Service Charges table to change the effective dates of each category to begin July 1, 2025 and continue through July 1, 2034, and renumbers the subsequent sections accordingly.
- B. Makes technical and nonsubstantive changes.

Related communication:

[D-785\(24\)](#) Department of Environmental Services, submitting proposed amendments to the Bill.

#### FOR ACTION

- 8. [RESOLUTION 25-53](#) – **TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HPD)**. Authorizing a transfer of \$4,875,000 in General Fund monies from the Administrative Services activity (salaries character of expenditure (“COE”)) to the Support Services activity (current expense and equipment COE) for fiscal year 2025 to cover equipment procurements for the acquisition of police vehicles and fuel management system replacement. (Transmitted by Communication [D-94](#))
- 9. [RESOLUTION 25-70](#) – **ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT (BFS)**. Accepting a gift of transportation, lodging and registration fee with an estimated value of \$2,800 to the City from the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) for one staff member from the City and County of Honolulu to attend the NASPO Exchange Conference and Training event in Las Vegas, Nevada from March 3-6, 2025. (Transmitted by Communication [D-135](#))
- 10. [RESOLUTION 25-56](#) – **ESTABLISHING A PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP**. Establishing a Tax Increment Financing Permitted Interaction Group to discuss and explore the City’s potential use of tax increment financing.

11. [RESOLUTION 25-61](#) – **WRITE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS.**  
Approving the write-off of the delinquent and uncollectible accounts owed to the City. (Transmitted by Communication [D-108](#))
  
12. **REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE GRANTS IN AID ADVISORY COMMISSION PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 17-44, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 15, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 2021.** The Committee will review and evaluate the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission and make recommendations to the Council on whether the Charter provisions establishing the Commission should be retained, amended, or repealed.

Related communication:

[D-133](#) Report submitted by the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission pursuant to Ordinance 17-44, codified as Chapter 3, Article 15, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021.

## **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.

TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM, Chair  
Committee on Budget