HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL & LEGAL AFFAIRS

Voting Members:
Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair
Matt Weyer, Vice Chair
Radiant Cordero
Tyler Dos Santos-Tam
Esther Kia'āina
Val A. Okimoto
Augie Tulba
Andria Tupola
Tommy Waters

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on International & Legal Affairs was called to order by Committee Chair Scott Nishimoto at 1:02 p.m. Councilmembers Cordero, Okimoto, Tulba, and Weyer were present at the meeting. (All Councilmembers are voting members.)

[1:03 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR ACTION

[1:06 p.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 25-98 – COMMITTEE REPORT 121

ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH BANGKOK, THAILAND.
Supporting establishing a new sister city relationship with Bangkok, Thailand.

[1:07 p.m.]

The following individual testified:

Angela Young, CARES (M-208) (Support)

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Nishimoto called for a recess at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

[1:09 p.m.]

Resolution 25-98 amended to CD1 (OCS2025-0272/4/1/2025 10:59 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WEYER – 6.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM, TUPOLA, WATERS – 3.

Related communication:

M-208 Testimony on Resolution 25-98

[1:10 p.m.]

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Before convening into Executive Session, Committee Chair Nishimoto took up the items for Executive Session individually to allow for oral public testimony on each item.

[1:10 p.m.]

Councilmember Tupola entered the Council Chamber.

[1:10 p.m.]

2. Resolution to Request Additional Funds for Contract No. SC-COR-2200087 for services of Kobayashi Sugita & Goda LLP as Special Counsel representing Defendants Honolulu Liquor Commission, Jacob Fears, and Catherine Fontaine in

the legal action entitled Scarlet Honolulu, Inc., et al. v. Honolulu Liquor Commission, et al., Case No. CV21-00457 KJM (USDC).

[1:11 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:11 p.m.]

3. Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Lisa Ann Daguro v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-20-0001475 LWC (Cir. Ct.).

[1:11 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:11 p.m.]

4. Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Alan B. Bryant v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., CIVIL NO. 1CCV-23-0001432 LWC (Cir. Ct.).

[1:11 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

At 1:11 p.m., with no objections from the seven members present (Ayes: Cordero, Kia‘āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer – 7), the Committee resolved into a closed meeting pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), to consult with the attorneys for the Council’s Committee on International & Legal Affairs on questions and issues pertaining to claims and other matters on the Council’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities and/or liabilities.

MEETING RESUMED IN OPEN SESSION

With seven members present (Cordero, Kia‘āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer), the Committee resumed the meeting in open session at 1:40 p.m.

[1:40 p.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 25-106 – COMMITTEE REPORT 122

Resolution to Request Additional Funds for Contract No. SC-COR-2200087 for services of Kobayashi Sugita & Goda LLP as Special Counsel representing Defendants Honolulu Liquor Commission, Jacob Fears, and Catherine Fontaine in the legal action entitled Scarlet Honolulu, Inc., et al. v. Honolulu Liquor Commission, et al., Case No. CV21-00457 KJM (USDC).

[1:41 p.m.]

Resolution 25-106 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER – 7.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM, WATERS – 2.

[1:41 p.m.]

3. COMMITTEE REPORT 123

Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Lisa Ann Daguro v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-20-0001475 LWC (Cir. Ct.).

[1:41 p.m.]

Committee Report 123 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER – 7.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM, WATERS – 2.

[1:41 p.m.]

4. COMMITTEE REPORT 124

Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Alan B. Bryant v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., CIVIL NO. 1CCV-23-0001432 LWC (Cir. Ct.).

[1:41 p.m.]

Committee Report 124 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER – 7.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM, WATERS – 2.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.