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The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Testimony - Resolution 25-62, Proposed FD1, Approving the City's 2026 – 2030 Consolidated Plan and Thirty-First (31st) Year Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA), and Housing Trust Fund Programs

Resolution 25-62, Proposed FD1 provides the Revised Draft 2026 – 2030 Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) and Thirty-First (31st) Year Action Plan (Action Plan) for approval and authorizes its submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Proposed FD1 makes miscellaneous technical and non-substantive amendments and revisions to the Action Plan Tables, consistent with recommended project selections and the goals of the proposed Con Plan.

Due to the Fiscal Year 2025 CDBG funding recently released by HUD and the subsequent execution of our CDBG grant agreement, the Family Promise of Hawai'i – Lusitana Acquisition project has been funded. We are also working with the Department of Community Services on a reprogramming of unspent funds to fund the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement – Makiki Acquisition project. Therefore, to be consistent with the goals of the proposed ConPlan and the Thirty-First (31st) Year Action Plan, City and County of Honolulu/Non-Profit Organization – Property Acquisition(s) have been prioritized for inclusion in the proposed Action Plan. Please refer to the table below for the proposed CDBG Fiscal Year 2026 project and alternate list.

#	CDBG - Project Name
1	BFS – Program Administration and Fiscal Support
2	DCS – CAD Administration
3	DCS – CBDD Administration
4	DCS – Work Readiness Program
5	DCS – TEAM WorkHawai'i
6	He Ala Hou O Ke Ola Inc. – Kinalau Home for Women
7	City and County of Honolulu/Non-Profit Organization – Property Acquisition(s) within the Wai'anae Sustainable Communities Plan (SCP)
#	**CDBG – Alternate Project Name**
1	City and County of Honolulu/Non-Profit Organization – Property Acquisition(s) within the Wai'anae Sustainable Communities Plan (SCP)
2	City and County of Honolulu/Non-Profit Organization – Property Acquisition(s) within Honolulu
3	Honolulu Police Department – HPD Headquarters ADA Door Replacement/Renovation
4	Honolulu Fire Department – Fire Protection Equipment
5	DCS – Rehabilitation of Special Needs Housing Portfolio

Proposed FY26 CDBG Project List

In addition, as further clarification of the project selections and goals of the proposed Con Plan, the Annual Action Plan process section has been revised to state the following:

As a requirement to continue receiving HUD funds, the City must submit annually a one-year AP which details the housing and community development activities that it intends to carry out using funds from HUD entitlement programs (i.e., CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA, HTF). The City will identify and reserve portions of funding for City and public service projects (City- Sponsored Initiatives) and may reserve portions of the funding for delayed projects carried forward from prior-year AP(s). Proposals from qualified non-profits are solicited annually through a NOFA process for CDBG, HOME, HTF, and ESG projects and for HOPWA projects, considering historic HOPWA funding data for the past ten (10) years, funding may continue to be distributed eighty percent (80%) to Gregory House Programs and twenty percent (20%) to Hawaii Health and Harm Reduction Center.

Your favorable consideration will be appreciated. If you have any questions, please call me at (808) 768-3901.

Sincerely,

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Director

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Councilmember Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Chair
Budget Committee

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