RES25-128
Testimony

MISC. COMM. 301

PUBLIC SAFETY & CUSTOMER SERVICES (PS)

PUBLIC SAFETY & CUSTOMER SERVICES (PS) Meeting

Meeting Date: May 29, 2025 @ 01:00 PM

Support: 3

Oppose: 1

I wish to comment: 1

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Testimony:

I am writing in support of Resolution 128. I am also urging the City to expand video cams for safety and security purposes at all City Parks, Beaches, properties, intersections, crossings and other roadways. While visiting Soth Korea last spring I observed thousands of speed sensors, speed humps, round abouts, traffic and community video cams. The communities are safer, quieter and accepted by the communities the same as streetlights and traffic lights. In other words, part of culture and society. Video cams can be monitored by citizen patrols who then notify the local law enforcement. Having the sensors and device allows police and other law enforcement to tend to other tasks.

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Testimony:

Aloha Councilmembers,

Reclaiming our public spaces is crucial to the overall health, well-being and quality of life for our city. Too often, people are hesitant or afraid to use public spaces due to a perception of weaking public security. This must change. I believe this resolution is a valuable first step to ensuring everyone is able to enjoy our safe and secure public spaces. I urge this Committee to SUPPORT this resolution!

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Testimony:

Please add Kea'au Beach Park for CC 154 Reso 25-128 by Councilmember A. Tupola list of beach and community parks in CD 1. As a member of the Wai'anae Coast NB #24, nearby residents that come to the monthly board meeting complain about the illegal activities that occurred after hours at Kea'au Beach Park, which is NOT listed in CC154. I do understand ONLY ONE beach park or community district park will be selected in the one-year pilot program video monitoring for West

O'ahu parks to deter criminal activity, and increase public safety, and support legitimate law enforcement objectives as defined in ROH Section 2-32.1. This park is located in an isolated area and far away from the mainstream of population and law enforcement.

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Resolution 25-128 And Honolulu Star-Advertiser Article Navy Petty Officer Is Charged

1 message

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Aloha Council Chair Waters, Council Vice-Chair Weyer and Honorable Councilmembers,

It is very late and I feel very unsettled after reading an article in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser called, "Navy Petty Office Is Charged In Child Porn and Torture Case" on page A8:

Here is an excerpt from the above-mentioned article, column 1, paragraph 7:

"In 2024 the Federal Bureau of Investigation received a tip about a group using the server of an online digital community to "extort minors into creating self-harm material and child pornography".

There is a dark inset called, "Get Involved: If children are being exploited or are the victim of a crime, report it. There is also information on how to remove online nude, partially nude or sexually explicit photos and videos taken before the age 18.

I encourage you to read the full article because I felt very disturbed and I was unable to go to sleep until I sent this email.

According to this article, all of this is taking place while "Valdez is in the special maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United States or United States government land, and knowingly mailing transporting or shipping child pornography, using any means or facility of interstate or foreign commerce, or in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce.

In March 2024, the federal agents obtained the computer-user profile for Valdez from the Navy's government-owned server documenting his internet activity.

It goes on to say:

A review of Valdez's profile allegedly found that between October 2023 and February 2024, while "using a Navy computer and network, and his Navy-issued computer-user profile, " Valdez accessed the online community he used to access and spread child pornography about 10,000 times.

FBI agents searched Valdez and his residence at NCTAMS, Pacific in Wahiawā."

Here is an excerpt from an article called, "Department of Defense Releases Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Report on Sexual Assault in the Military" by the Department of Defense:

"The Department encourages greater reporting of sexual assault to connect warfighters with restorative care and to hold alleged offenders appropriately accountable.

"As Secretary Hegseth has observed, 'the strength of our military is our unity and our shared purpose,'" said Tim Dill, who is performing the duties of deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. "The Department owes our Service members a workplace with high standards and an environment that fosters trust, collaboration, and results. This report underscores the Department's continuing commitment to reducing harmful behaviors and countering sexual assault to help ***shape the ready, lethal fighting force required to achieve peace through strength***."

The Department's commitment to restoring the warrior ethos is critical to maintaining our strong and ready warfighters. Sexual violence has no place in our military — it will not be tolerated, condoned, or ignored. Such actions undermine unit cohesion, readiness, lethality and fundamentally contradict our efforts to restore the warrior ethos."

NOTE: What bothers me about this article is that the United States continues to use the word warfighter. It goes on to mention that they are shaping the ready, lethal fighting force required to achieve peace through strength.

I disagree with this statement because I believe that we are unable to achieve peace through war.

https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/4171547/department-of-defense-releases-fiscal-year-2024-annual-report-on-sexual-assault/

Attached is article called, "United States v Briggs (2020)", which states that this case was considered notable due to its implications on the issue of sexual assault in the United States military and the military's ability to address these types of cases.[2] [3] The case was consolidated with another, similar case called *United States v. Collins* (No. 19-184).

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_v._Briggs_(2020)

With all this information about this type of crime, I remember that there is currently Resolution 25-128 regarding "Authorizing the use of overt video monitoring in the City and County of Honolulu in City Parks". I have heard that there is sexual activity happening in public places so I hope this will help to reduce this type of activity.

I ***strongly support*** Resolution 25-128.

I ***strongly support*** consequences for child exploitation of any kind.

I ***strongly support*** no sexual or nude content on the internet.

I ***strongly support*** creating or enforcing *local* legislation to keep our keiki safe from sexual predators, sextortion and cyber predators. Apparently sextortion is a crime that is on the rise in Hawai'i and across the country.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sextortion

I ***strongly support*** education for keiki to become aware of how to identify and protect themselves from sexual predators and cyber predators.

I ***strongly support*** Police Chief Logan and the Honolulu Police Department to only hire personnel who are above reproach (I heard him talk about the hiring process at the Town Hall Meeting in Nānākuli).

I ***strongly support*** holding the United States Military accountable for the actions of their members within the public legal system versus the military legal system.

I ***strongly support*** limiting and / or reducing internet and social media since it allows unencumbered access to these illegal images. How would you word this request?

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/exploring-why-offenders-v_b_9330296

I ***strongly support*** reclaiming Hawai'i's lands from the United States.

I ***strongly support*** educating and enforcing the dress code at all public schools and in public areas. I hear that middle school children are having sex in cars and in other areas. I feel distressed knowing that children are engaging in this type of activity so young without understanding the consequences and health ramifications.

I ***strongly support*** peace without war and warfighters. Hawai'i's culture is based on peace without war so this dishonors our Native Hawaiians, our full-time residents, our traditions and our 'āina. There is a Hawaiian word that describes this:

Here is an excerpt from the article called, "Ho'omaluhia: Be Peaceful & Have Peace Right Now" by Naturally Aloha:

"This is one of my favorite Hawaiian words because the way it sounds is just as beautiful as the meaning. Ho'omaluhia encourages us to live in a way that, no matter what challenges come our way, we feel at peace. We feel a sense of calm. Personal preparation and confidence have helped us attain this peace and serenity in our lives.

"Ho'o" means – to do or to be

"Maluhia" means – peace, calm, tranquility, security, and safety. "

https://naturallyaloha.com/hoomaluhia-be-peaceful-have-peace/

A Big Mahalo to you for all that you and your colleagues do to keep us moving to a higher quality of life by utilizing the "Aloha Spirit" of love and compassion without making sacrifices that destroy our lives, our communities, our 'āina, our culture and our traditions.

Let me know if there is anything that I can do to help.

Mahalo,

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TO: Members of the Committee on Public Safety & Customer Services

FROM: Natalie Iwasa
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DATE: Thursday, May 29, 2025

SUBJECT: Resolution 25-128 and Proposed CD1, Overt Video Monitoring – **OPPOSED**

Aloha Chair Okimoto and Councilmembers,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on Resolution 25-128 and the proposed CD1, which would allow the city to have a one-year pilot program to install videos and monitor the public in certain city parks. The CD1 includes park and rides, which are under a different department. I oppose both the original resolution and the CD1.

Given what's happening at the federal level **with legal immigrants and actions taken by ICE, please discuss the role city monitoring plays and how such monitoring could be used against innocent residents**.

Please also discuss measures the city takes to secure current video recordings, who has access to them, how long they are kept, how crime is impacted in areas near video monitoring that is already in place, etc.

The public deserves to know how the city is using this information and how, or whether, the city is protecting that information.