



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025
9:00 A.M.

Remote and in-person oral testimony will be permitted on all items on the agenda when each agenda item is taken up. Each speaker may not have anyone else read their statement and is limited to a one-minute presentation.

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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FOR ACTION

1. **RESOLUTION 25-199 – ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT (DCS)**. Accepting a gift of certain real property and personal property, valued at \$1,630,032.63, to the City from Central Pacific Bank, for use by the Department of Community Services in connection with the operation of a new government building located at 222 North School Street. (Transmitted by Communication [D-567](#))

2. **RESOLUTION 25-193 – WASTEWATER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS (SENIOR SERIES)**. Authorizing the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services to issue and sell not to exceed \$230,000,000 principal amount of Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Senior Series 2025 and related matters. (Transmitted by Communication [D-543](#))

3. **RESOLUTION 25-198 – MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE NOTES**. Authorizing the issuance and delivery of Multifamily Housing Revenue Notes in a principal amount not to exceed One Hundred Seven Million Seven Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$107,710,000) for the purpose of making loans to provide financing to KPLR Phase 1, LP, a Hawai'i limited partnership, for a multifamily rental housing development; determining and prescribing certain other matters relating thereto; and approving and authorizing related actions and execution and delivery of related documents and agreements. (Transmitted by Communication [D-566](#))

4. **RESOLUTION 25-186 – GRANTS IN AID FUND**. Establishing City policies and priorities for the use of the Grants in Aid Fund.

5. **RESOLUTION 25-203 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HESD)**. Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$5,460,000 in General Fund monies from the Provision for Homelessness Activities (current expense (“CE”) character of expenditure (“COE”)) to the Emergency Medical Services activity (CE COE) for fiscal year 2026 for the extension of the contracts for Premier Medical Group and North Shore Mental Health. (Transmitted by Communication [D-568](#))

6. **RESOLUTION 25-204 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS (CCSR)**. Authorizing a transfer of Climate Resiliency Fund monies for Fiscal Year 2026 not to exceed \$3,150,000 to the Department of Facility Maintenance, Storm Water Quality activity (current expense (“CE”) character of expenditure (“COE”)) to conduct two storm water planning studies; not to exceed \$1,500,000 to the Department of Design and Construction, Administration activity (CE COE) to support implementation of the Climate Change Design Guidelines; not to exceed \$500,000 to the Department of the Managing Director (“MDO”), Office of Economic Revitalization activity (CE COE) to support implementation of the global mayors challenge; not to exceed \$750,000 to the MDO, Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency activity (CE COE) to develop energy audits for City-owned housing projects and implement the climate champions program; not to exceed \$60,000 to the Department of Parks and Recreation (“DPR”), Recreation Services activity (CE COE) to develop climate change-related programming for the 2026 summer fun program; not to exceed \$25,000 to the DPR, Maintenance Support Services activity (equipment COE) to pilot water refill stations at City park sites; not to exceed \$1,000,000 to the Department of Transportation Services, Transportation Mobility activity (CE COE) to expand Biki options for transit commuters. (Transmitted by Communication MM-115)

7. **BILL 49 (2025) – RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION**. Amending provisions relating to the real property tax home exemption. (Bill passed first reading 7/9/25)

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FOR DISCUSSION

9. **BILL 34 (2024) – RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.** Addressing real property tax rates. (Bill passed first reading 6/5/24)

PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 34 (2024) (Submitted by Councilmember Cordero) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0085/1/29/2025 9:56 AM) makes the following amendments:

- A. In SECTION 2 of the bill, amends ROH Section 8-7.1(c)(4)(A) through (C) to raise the minimum assessed value for the Residential A classification to \$1,500,000 (the existing minimum is \$1,000,000 and the original version of the bill proposed to raise the minimum to \$1,300,000).
- B. In SECTION 3 of the bill, amends ROH Section 8-11.1(h) to modify the first two Residential A tax rate tiers as follows:
1. For Tier 1, applies to the net taxable value of the property up to \$1,500,000 (the existing tier limit is \$1,000,000 and the original version of the bill proposed to raise the tier limit to \$1,300,000); and
 2. For Tier 2, applies to the net taxable value of the property in excess of \$1,500,000 and up to \$3,500,000 (the existing tier minimum is \$1,000,000 and the original version of the bill proposed to raise the tier minimum to \$1,300,000); and
- (Tier 3, which was added in the original version of the bill, would apply to the net taxable value of the property in excess of \$3,500,000, and remains unchanged.)
- C. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

10. **BILL 48 (2024), CD1 – RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.**
Addressing O‘ahu's housing crisis and high cost of rental housing and provide a mechanism to support our local residents through reducing taxation of real property used as a long-term residential rental. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing held 9/4/24)

PROPOSED CD2 TO BILL 48 (2024), CD1 (Submitted by Councilmember Weyer)
– The CD2 (OCS2024-1038/12/3/2024 2:36 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. In SECTION 2 of the bill, clarifies that the owner, as defined by the proposed ROH § 8-7.__(a), is a person as defined by ROH § 1-4.1.
- B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

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.

VAL A. OKIMOTO, Chair
Committee on Budget