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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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REGULAR MEETING
11TH SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

Note: *A copy of the video of the full proceedings of this meeting may be requested by calling the City Clerk's Office at (808)768-5822.*

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to adjournment, the regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by the Chair and Presiding Officer, Tommy Waters, at 10.20 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Councilmembers present:

Councilmembers Cordero, Dos Santos-Tam, Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer, Waters –9.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Councilmember Kia'āina welcomed Senator Kurt Fevella, members of the City Administration, and community members and stakeholders.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Tupola moved that the Minutes of the 9th and 10th Sessions be approved, subject to corrections by Councilmembers within 30 days. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS –9.
NOES: None.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ENTER INTO THE COUNCIL JOURNAL
MAYOR'S MESSAGE 104

June 24, 2025 – From Mayor Rick Blangiardi, returning Bill 22, CD2, FD1, relating to the Executive Operating Budget and Program for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, with certain portions vetoed.

The Council Chair entered Mayor's Message 104 into the Council's Journal.

The following individuals testified:

1. Shelby Billionaire (General comment)
2. Natalie Iwasa (General comment)
3. Karl Dicks (General comment)

ENTER INTO THE COUNCIL JOURNAL
MAYOR'S MESSAGE 105

June 24, 2025 – From Mayor Rick Blangiardi, returning Bill 23, CD2, FD1, relating to the Executive Capital Budget and Program for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, with certain portions vetoed.

The Council Chair entered Mayor's Message 105 into the Council's Journal.

There was no public testimony.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-179

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTEES TO SERVE ON THE OCEAN SAFETY COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Racquel Achiu (General comment)
2. Tim Garry (General comment)

Councilmember Tupola expressed her support for the confirmation of the Ocean Safety Commission which fulfills the City's commitment to Honolulu's lifeguards. The Commission is the foundation of independent oversight, long-term accountability, and the direct voice of front-line responders. She credited former Councilmember Heidi Tsuyenoshi for her role in advocating for the formation of the Ocean Safety Department and noted that the Commission will help to ensure lifeguard safety, employee input and department integrity. Councilmember Tupola emphasized the Council's commitment to work together with the Commission to support and strengthen the newly formed Department.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-179 to the Commiittee on Public Safety and Economy for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-358 Testimony on Resolution 25-179

FIRST READING
BILL 48

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PEDESTRIAN MALLS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 48 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

The following individual testified:

Ed Korybski, Fort Street Mall BID (Support)

Bill 48 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-360 Testimony on Bill 48

FIRST READING
BILL 49

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 49 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

The following individuals testified:

1. Natalie Iwasa (M-357) (Oppose)
2. Roy Nakamura (Oppose)

Bill 49 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-357 Testimony on Bill 49

FIRST READING
BILL 50

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 50 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

The following individuals testified:

1. Natalie Iwasa (M-366) (Oppose)
2. Roy Nakamura (Oppose)

Bill 50 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-366 Testimony on Bill 50

FIRST READING
BILL 51

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 51 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

The following individuals testified:

1. Ed Korybski, Fort Street BID (Support)
2. Christine Camp, Avalon Group (M-369) (Support)
3. Shelby Billionaire (Support)
4. Mark Anthony Clemente, Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters (Support)

Bill 51 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communications:

M-355 Testimony on Bill 51
M-369 Testimony on Bill 51

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING
BILL 37, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 243

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PORTIONS OF THE STATE LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP (HALEʻIWA QUADRANGLE) FROM THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO THE URBAN DISTRICT FOR CERTAIN LANDS SITUATED IN THE HALEʻIWA SPECIAL DISTRICT, HALEʻIWA, OAHU, HAWAIʻI.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that Committee Report 243 be adopted and Bill 37 pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individuals testified:

1. Senator Kurt Fevella (M-359) (Oppose)
2. Denise Antolini (M-359) (Oppose)
3. Zaz Dahlin (M-359) (Oppose)
4. Earl Dahlin (M-359) (General comment)
5. Mark Anthony Clemente, Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters (M-359) (Support)
6. Racquel Achiu (General comment)
7. Tia Marie, Hawaiʻi Peace & Justice, E Ola Kakou Hawaiʻi (M-359) (Oppose)
8. Larry Mcelheny (M-359) (Oppose)
9. Natalie McKinney, Kōkua Hawaiʻi Foundation (M-359) (Oppose)
10. Tara Rojas (M-359) (Oppose)
11. Roy Nakamura (General comment)
12. Bob Leinau (Oppose)
13. Calvin Hulihee (General comment)
14. Kanani Oury (M-359) (Oppose)
15. Amelia Gora (General comment)
16. Shelby Billionaire (Oppose)
17. Kalei Salcedo (Oppose)

In response to councilmembers, Dawn Apuna, Director, Dina Wong, Chief Planner, Planning Division and Thomas Blair, Staff Planner, Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) stated that:

- The DPP processes State Land Use District boundary amendments that are under 15 acres and the last boundary amendment received by DPP was in 2018 from Brigham Young University – Hawaii.
- Boundary amendments are evaluated from the perspective of standards and criteria in Chapter 23 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu.

- The area would require a zone change before the project can be developed. Under the City's Affordable Housing Rule, 30 percent of the units need to be affordable and of those, 10 percent would need to be affordable to households earning 80 percent Area Median Income (AMI) and below, and 20 percent need to be affordable to 120 percent AMI and below.
- Through a unilateral agreement, the zone change could specify additional requirements than what is stipulated in the Affordable Housing Rules.
- The DPP supports Bill 37, CD1 which adds a condition requiring the applicant to update their traffic analysis report and have it accepted by both the Department of Transportation and the DPP Traffic Review Branch prior to submitting the zone change application.
- The previous traffic report by the applicant was completed in 2015 and no current information is available for the City to assess traffic infrastructure impacts.
- There is a critical need for affordable rental housing especially cost-burdened households earning 80 percent AMI and below who spend over 50 percent of their income on housing.
- The area is designed country town in the current North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan and calls for infill development. The existing plan, envisioned by the community when the plan was developed, identifies Haleiwa and Waialua as the commercial centers and call for infill housing development adjacent to those areas.
- The DPP makes supportive recommendations, however, the Council has the final decision on whether DPP's recommendation is consistent or contrary to the Sustainable Communities Plan.
- The Planning Commission voted in support of the boundary amendment and added recommendations for the applicant to include in the zone change application.
- The DPP recommended that the boundary amendment petition advance after determining that the applicant met the following three criteria or standards specified in Chapter 23:
  - Contribution to the general welfare and prosperity of the people of the County;
  - Whether a public issue, need or problem presently exists to serve as a basis for the proposed amendment; and
  - Consistency with the Hawaii State Plan and County General Plan.
- The DPP supports the boundary amendment.
- Currently, there is no condition of approval that requires an agricultural component.
- Prior to submitting a zone change request, the applicant would need to update their 2015 traffic study. If the new traffic study is found to be prohibitive, DPP would re-evaluate the proposed project to determine if mitigating efforts would be required.
- The applicant would need to identify infrastructure needs for the project in the zone change request.

- The boundary amendment designates that the parcel being considered is better suited for urban instead of agriculture. The final project is unknown until a zone change application is submitted.

Councilmember Weyer expressed his appreciation to DPP for their work and analysis and emphasized that the testimonies presented were compelling. He noted that his preference was to defer the measure and indicated that if the measure proceeded he would be voting in opposition because it is premature to consider the boundary amendment prior to finalizing the North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan. Councilmember Weyer stated that currently there is insufficient information on whether the project would have negative impacts on the community.

Councilmember Tupola stated that she currently supports the measure and looked forward to further discussion in Committee. She indicated that the 80 percent AMI requirement is still too high and acknowledged that there are many concerns that still need to be addressed and thanked the community for their input.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam expressed concerns on whether the boundary amendment fits within the State Land Use Commission (LUC) boundary even though there are other guiding documents that govern the area. Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam shared that his preference would be to have a much larger discussion on plan inconsistencies that could burden the community. He noted that the Zoning Committee should focus on the task of addressing the inconsistencies and urged DPP to ensure greater alignment between the State LUC boundary, the North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan and the Haleiwa Special District Plan as they are updated.

Committee Report 243 was adopted and Bill 37, CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM*, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO*, TULBA*, TUPOLA, WATERS – 8.
NOES: WEYER – 1.

*Councilmembers Dos Santos-Tam, Okimoto and Tulba voted aye with reservations.

Related communications:

D-527 North Shore Neighborhood Board No. 27
M-359 Testimony on Bill 37
M-367 Testimony on Bill 37
M-370 Testimony on Bill 37

RECOMMITTAL TO COMMITTEE ON BUDGET
BILL 41 – COMMITTEE REPORT 236

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PERMIT FEES.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 236 and Bill 41 be recommitted to the Committee on Budget. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 236 and Bill 41 were recommitted to the Committee on Budget.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-365 Testimony on Bill 41

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-172, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 237

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRANSPORTATION, LODGING, MEALS, AND REGISTRATION FEE TO THE CITY FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICIALS ("NASPO") FOR TWO STAFF MEMBERS FROM THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO ATTEND THE NASPO REACH CONFERENCE AND TRAINING EVENT IN DENVER, COLORADO FROM JULY 22-25, 2025.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 237 and Resolution 25-172, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

The following individual testified:

Kalei Salcedo (M-364) (Oppose)

In response to Council Chair Waters, Andy Kawano, Director, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS) stated that the gift from the National Association of State Procurement Officials would support ongoing training for staff from the Purchasing Division. He noted that BFS would prepare a trip report and post the completed report on the Council's website.

Committee Report 237 and Resolution 25-172, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-364 Testimony on Resolution 25-172

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-174 – COMMITTEE REPORT 238

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL AND RELATED EXPENSES AT AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF $3,310 TO THE CITY FROM THE LUSO-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION FOR COUNCILMEMBER TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM TO ATTEND THE SISTER CITIES SUMMIT IN SÃO MIGUEL, AZORES, PORTUGAL FROM JUNE 25-27, 2025.

Councilmember Nishimoto moved that Committee Report 238 and Resolution 25-174 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-362) (General comment)

Committee Report 238 and Resolution 25-174 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-362 Testimony on Resolution 25-174

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-177, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 239

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF AIRFARE AND TRAIN TRANSPORTATION VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY $1,080 (¥155,680) FROM THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE FOR PEACE IN THE FUTURE COMMITTEE (IYCPF) FOR A MEMBER OF THE HONOLULU YOUTH COMMISSION TO ATTEND THE IYCPF 2025 CONFERENCE IN HIROSHIMA, JAPAN, FROM AUGUST 1-9, 2025.

Councilmember Nishimoto moved that Committee Report 239 and Resolution 25-177, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-361) (General comment)

Committee Report 239 and Resolution 25-177, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-361 Testimony on Resolution 25-177

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-181 – COMMITTEE REPORT 240

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR CONTRACT NO. SC-COR-2400010 TO CONTINUE THE SERVICES OF LYNN E. PANAGAKOS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO REPRESENT DEFENDANT DONNA YUK LAN LEONG IN A MATTER ENTITLED UNITED STATES V. DONNA YUK LAN LEONG, ET AL., CRIMINAL NO. CR21-00142 LEK (USDC).

Councilmember Nishimoto moved that Committee Report 240 and Resolution 25-181 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Tim Garry (General comment)

Committee Report 240 and Resolution 25-181 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.
NOES: OKIMOTO – 1.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-182 – COMMITTEE REPORT 241

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR CONTRACT NO. SC-COR-2300079 FOR THE SERVICES OF MCCORRISTON MILLER MUKAI MACKINNON LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU REPRESENTING DEFENDANT MAX JOHN SWORD IN A MATTER ENTITLED UNITED STATES V. DONNA YUK LAN LEONG, ET AL., CRIMINAL NO. CR21-00142 LEK (USDC).

Councilmember Nishimoto moved that Committee Report 241 and Resolution 25-182 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 241 and Resolution 25-182 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.
NOES: OKIMOTO – 1.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-78, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 244

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN ADDITIONAL EASEMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS, AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN AT THE KAʻIWA RIDGE TRAIL IN LANIKAI, OʻAHU.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that Committee Report 244 and Resolution 25-78, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina acknowledged that the Kaʻiwa Ridge Project has been a long process for the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). She thanked the Division of Forestry and Wildlife team for their hard work and expressed appreciation to DLNR for addressing her concerns about the need for better data for current and projected hikers, which is critical to mitigate impacts to communities. Councilmember Kiaʻāina highlighted that the Resolution is the first to include provisions to protect and preserve Native Hawaiian traditional customary practices specifically the practice of hula on Kaʻiwa Ridge.

Committee Report 244 and Resolution 25-78, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-368 Testimony on Resolution 25-78

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-155, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 245

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR SINGLE-UNIT DWELLINGS, ADDITIONS TO THREE EXISTING DWELLINGS, NEW INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, AND NEW ACCESSORY AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES IN HAUʻULA, OʻAHU.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that Committee Report 245 and Resolution 25-155, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 245 and Resolution 25-155, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-168, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 246

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND-STORY ADDITION TO AN EXISTING SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING AND THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW IN-GROUND HOT TUB IN KAILUA, OʻAHU.

Councilmember Kiaʻāina moved that Committee Report 246 and Resolution 25-168, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 246 and Resolution 25-168, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

BALANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

ILACR-242 Request for authorization to settle claims against the City and County of Honolulu by Gentry Waipio Community Association.

Councilmember Tupola moved that the Balance of Committee Reports, as listed above, be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

There was no public testimony.

The Balance of Committee Reports was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-171

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF SEVENTY-FIVE (75) HYTERA POC (PUSH TALK OVER CELLULAR) PORTABLE RADIOS VALUED AT $26,073.29 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Resolution 25-171 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Entertainment (CC-177).

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-171 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

There was no public testimony.

In response to Councilmember Cordero, Dita Holifield, Director, Department of Enterprise Services (DES) stated that:

- Zoo employees on staff will have daily access to the new radios to increase communication and ensure the safety and welfare of employees and visitors to the zoo.
- The DES met recently with the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) to discuss potential integration of systems in the event an animal should get loose and endanger the community.
- The DES thanked The Zoological Society for the generous gift to support the zoo.
- The DES will be funding telecommunication projects within the next two years.

Resolution 25-171 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-175

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF $2,732 TO THE CITY FROM HĀ SUSTAINABILITY FOR FOUR REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE OFFICE OF CLIMATE CHANGE, SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY TO ATTEND THE FOUR COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK IN-PERSON CONVENING ON MAUI FROM JULY 17 TO JULY 18, 2025.

Resolution 25-175 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks (CC-183).

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-175 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-175 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-178

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF FRESH FOOD GOODS VALUED AT $2,400 FROM HFA TO THE HONOLULU EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT (HESD) IN APPRECIATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) PERSONNEL.

Resolution 25-178 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Committee on Public Safety & Economy (CC-182).

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-178 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia‘āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-178 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA‘ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-180

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, LODGING, MEALS, AND MATERIAL EXPENSES, VALUED AT $9,771, TO THE CITY FROM BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION; DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CLIMATE CHANGE, SUSTAINABILITY, AND RESILIENCY; AND PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO ATTEND THE BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES 2025 GLOBAL MAYOR’S CHALLENGE IDEAS CAMP IN BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA FROM JULY 19-25, 2025.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-180 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia‘āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-180 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA‘ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-183

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF $231,000 TO THE CITY FROM BUMPER PRODUCTIONS LLC TO SUPPORT HONOLULU OCEAN SAFETY DEPARTMENT'S (HOSD) TOWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND OCEAN RESCUE PROGRAMS FOR HOSD PERSONNEL.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-183 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

The following individual testified:

Tim Garry (General comment)

In response to Councilmember Cordero, Kurt Lager, Director, Honolulu Ocean Safety Department (HOSD) stated that:

- Prior to filming, television show representatives visited and toured HOSD headquarters and facilities to look at the lifeguard towers, and purchased the same towers for the show.
- Other miscellaneous items like rescue boards and rescue tubes adhered to HOSD specifications except some of the items may have different logos.
- HOSD retains autonomy on the placement of the lifeguard towers.

Resolution 25-183 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-187

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF FOUR SPECIALIZED BENCHES IN THE SHAPE OF COWS, EACH FEATURING UNIQUE FINISHES VALUED AT $8,411.96 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-187 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-187 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA‘ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-188

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT VALUED AT $9,600.00 TO THE CITY FROM PACIFIC AIR CARGO, LLC FOR THE AIR FREIGHT FOR THE PRE-FABRICATED ANIMAL SHELTER FENCING, FROM LOS ANGELES TO HONOLULU.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-188 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia‘āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-188 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA‘ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-189, FD1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, LODGING, REGISTRATION FEES, AND RELATED EXPENSES VALUED AT $3,200 TO THE CITY FROM THE AAPI LEAD FOUNDATION, FOR COUNCILMEMBERS ESTHER KIA‘ĀINA AND ANDRIA TUPOLA TO ATTEND THE 2025 AAPI LEAD SUMMIT IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

The following amendment was handcarried to the meeting:

Resolution 25-189, Proposed FD1 (OCS2025-0564/7/3/2025 4:15 PM)

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-189 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia‘āina.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-189 be amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0564/7/3/2025 4:15 PM). Seconded by Councilmember Kiaaina. Councilmember Tupola explained the FD1 amendment.

The following individual testified:

Kalei Salcedo (M-363) (General comment)

Councilmember Kiaʻāina stated for the record that she would be filing a Disclosure of Interest Statement with the City Clerk's Office (CC-191).

Councilmember Kiaʻāina noted the organization is for Asian American and Pacific Islander elected leaders across the country. Noting that she was the only Native Hawaiian leader participating in the Summit, the foundation sought a sponsor to increase the participation of Native Hawaiian leaders. Councilmember Kiaʻāina stressed the importance of representation by Native Hawaiians, who are frequently categorized as either Native American or Asian American, however their data on educational and health social conditions are often cited in discussions. She expressed gratitude that more Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander leaders from Hawaiʻi will be represented at the Summit.

Councilmember Tupola stated that she was informed about the lack of Native Hawaiian representation at the Summit and stressed the importance of being heard and represented at the local, State and Federal levels to fight for what is needed for the people of Hawaiʻi. She expressed gratitude for the opportunity to learn and advocate for the benefit of the City and County.

Resolution 25-189 was amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0564/7/3/2025 4:15 PM).

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Council Rule 19.G relating to the 48-hour notice is waived.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Resolution 25-189, FD1 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-363 Testimony on Resolution 25-189

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-190

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, GROUND TRANSPORTATION, LODGING, AND MEALS, VALUED AT $3,700, TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU FESTIVAL FOUNDATION FOR A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO ATTEND THE HONOLULU FESTIVAL FOUNDATION GOODWILL MISSION TOUR TO HIROSAKI, NAGAOKA, AND TOKYO, JAPAN FROM JULY 31 – AUGUST 4, 2025.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-190 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (General comment)

Resolution 25-190 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Cordero wished Councilmember Kiaʻāina a happy birthday.

Councilmember Weyer welcomed Mason Funasaki, a rising senior at Iolani School, as his office summer intern.

Councilmember Tupola acknowledged Melanie Zhang who just started as her office intern.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam welcomed Julia Saines as his office intern.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:42 p.m., Councilmember Tupola moved that Council stand adjourned until Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at 10 a.m. Seconded by Councilmember Kiaʻāina and there being no objections from the 9 members present, it was so ordered by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,



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DATE APPROVED:

August 6, 2025