



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
& ECONOMY

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025
1:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Section 92-3.7, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, this meeting will be conducted as a remote meeting by interactive conference technology, with the following procedures in effect for the meeting:

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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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Remote Testimony

1. For direct access to submit oral testimony call: +1-253-215-8782, enter ID **83961787244** and Passcode **216009**.
2. To testify by videoconference visit the Honolulu Records Collection, type the following into the address bar of the browser: <https://hnlldoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlldoc/testimony>. Videoconference access information will be provided upon registration. Testifiers are encouraged to register/submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Persons wishing to testify in-person in the Council Chamber are requested to register by 1:00 p.m. by filling out the registration form in person outside the Council Chamber. Persons who have not registered will be given an opportunity to speak following the oral testimonies of the registered speakers.

Written testimony may be uploaded through the Honolulu Records Collection, type the following into the address bar of the browser: <https://hnlldoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlldoc/testimony>, or mailed to Office of the City Clerk, Attention: Information Section, 530 South King Street, Room 100, Honolulu, HI 96813. If submitted, written testimonies, including the testifier's address, e-mail address, and phone number, will be available to the public on the Honolulu Record Collection, type the following into the address bar of the browser: <https://hnlldoc.ehawaii.gov>.

Should you have any questions, please call (808) 768-3814 or send an email to jyamane1@honolulu.gov.

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FOR ACTION

1. **RESOLUTION 25-256 – ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT (DES).** Accepting a gift from The Honolulu Zoological Society to the City valued at \$9,300 for the transportation of two female zebras from the Gladys Porter Zoo in Brownsville, Texas to the Honolulu Zoo. (Transmitted by Communication [D-687](#))

2. **RESOLUTION 25-267 – ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT (DES).** Accepting two monetary gifts from The Honolulu Zoological Society in the amount of \$9,000 to the City for replacement and repair of the base for the education programs sign and repair of the hippo filtration system. (Transmitted by Communication [D-703](#))

3. **RESOLUTION 25-200 – APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER MAGNUS TO SERVE ON THE POLICE COMMISSION.** Confirming the appointment of Christopher Magnus to serve on the Police Commission of the City and County of Honolulu. (Transmitted by Communication [MM-114](#); public hearing held 8/6/25)

PROPOSED CD1 TO RESOLUTION 25-200 (Submitted by Councilmember Tulba) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0660/8/19/2025 10:40 AM) makes the following amendments:
 - A. In the fourth WHEREAS clause, amends the reference to the “Mayor’s letter” to specify the letter is Mayor’s Message 114 (2025).
 - B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

4. **BILL 46 (2025) – HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT.** Requiring the Honolulu Police Department to release certain public information to the media and to the public. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing held 8/6/25)

PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 46 (2025) (Submitted by Councilmember Tulba) – The CD1 (OCS2025-0729/9/15/2025 8:32 AM) makes the following amendments:
 - A. In SECTION 2 of the bill:
 1. Amends the article title to read as follows:

"ACCESS TO CERTAIN HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION"

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2. Amends the title of § 2-___.1 to read as follows:

"Release of certain information to the media and public."
3. Amends § 2-___.1(a) to provide new definitions of "CJIS," "Department or HPD," "HCJDC," "NCIC," "Real-Time Emergency Text Alerts," and "Real-Time Radio Communications."
4. Amends § 2-___.1(b) to require the Chief of Police to adopt and implement a strategic plan and internal procedures for the timely release of public information to the media and the public, which must involve a written agreement between the Honolulu Police Department and local media outlets for the Honolulu Police Department to provide local media outlets with access to real-time emergency text alerts or certain real-time radio communications.
5. Amends § 2-___.1(c) to provide that real-time emergency alerts and access to certain real-time radio communications may not include personally identifiable information or protected CJIS data, and must comply with all applicable constitutional provisions, laws, rules, regulations, agreements, and policies relating to privacy rights and the protection of personal information. Includes a non-exhaustive list of applicable governing provisions.
6. Adds a new § 2-___.1(d) to require the Honolulu Police Department to incorporate reasonable safeguards to ensure that the dissemination of real-time emergency text alerts or access to certain real-time radio communications do not compromise protected or restricted information. Includes penalties for the violation of this requirement.
7. Adds a new § 2-___.1(e) to prohibit any local media outlet or individual from recording, reproducing, rebroadcasting, or otherwise using real-time radio communications unless the use is first authorized through a formal request made under the Freedom of Information Act or the Uniform Information Practices Act. Includes penalties for the violation of this requirement.
8. Adds a new § 2-___.2(a) to require the Chief of Police to provide the Council with an annual report 12 months after the effective date of the ordinance, and every 12 months thereafter.

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9. Adds a new § 2-___.2(b) to provide a non-exhaustive list of the types of information (or updates to previously provided information) that must be included in the annual report.
- B. Amends SECTION 3 of the bill to require the Chief of Police to submit to the Council the strategic plan and internal procedures for the timely release of public information to the media and the public no later than six months after the effective date of the ordinance.
- C. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

5. JULY 29, 2025 TSUNAMI ADVISORY OVERVIEW AND RESPONSE

- Department of Emergency Management
- Honolulu Police Department
- Honolulu Fire Department
- Honolulu Emergency Services Department
- Honolulu Ocean Safety Department
- Department of Transportation Services

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.

AUGIE TULBA, Chair
Committee on Public Safety & Economy