



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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REGULAR MEETING
15TH SESSION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025

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

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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 10:14 a.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was called by Council Chair Waters to recognize the passing of Maui County Councilmember Tasha Kama. He noted that she was a compassionate leader and a fierce advocate for her Kahului District.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Councilmembers present:

Councilmembers Cordero, Dos Santos-Tam (via video conferencing), Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer, Waters – 9.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Councilmember Kia'āina welcomed members of the City Administration and Board and Commission nominees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Tupola moved that the Session Minutes for the September 3, 2025 and October 1, 2025 Council Meetings 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, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ORDER OF THE DAY

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION **RESOLUTION 25-283**

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JODY LIBED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF REVIEW I FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX APPEAL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

There was no public testimony.

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-283 to the Committee on Budget for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-574 Testimony on Resolution 25-283

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION **RESOLUTION 25-289**

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. BRADLEY ROMINE TO SERVE ON THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Bradley Romine (General comment)

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-289 to the Committee on Energy, Environment & Sustainability for further discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-290

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BLAKELY PARSONS TO SERVE ON THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Blakely Parsons (General comment)
2. Shelby Billionaire (M-569) (Support)

Councilmember Kia'aina voiced her strong support for the nominee. She highlighted the Police Commission's critical role in addressing community concerns and selecting the next Police Chief.

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-290 to the Committee on Public Safety & Economy for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-569 Testimony on Resolution 25-290

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-292

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANNA NEUBAUER TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

There was no public testimony.

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Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-292 to the Committee on Public Safety & Economy for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-566 Testimony on Resolution 25-292

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-293

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. SHELTON JIM ON TO SERVE ON THE ETHICS COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Shelton Jim On (M-586) (General comment)

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-293 to the Committee on International & Legal Affairs for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-586 Testimony on Resolution 25-293

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-294

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARK ANTHONY CLEMENTE TO SERVE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Mark Anthony Clemente (General comment)
2. Pane Meatoga, III (M-555) (Support)

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-294 to the Committee on Zoning & Planning for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-555 Testimony on Resolution 25-294

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-295

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KATHARINE CHANG TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

There was no public testimony.

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-295 to the Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks for further discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-296

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY LAUPOLA TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Jeffrey Laupola (General comment)
2. Ernie Lau, Manager and Chief Engineer, Board of Water Supply (D-797) (Support)

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-296 to the Committee on Energy, Environment & Sustainability for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-797 Board of Water Supply
M-579 Testimony on Resolution 25-296

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-297

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF EDMUND K.B. HYUN TO SERVE ON THE LIQUOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Edmund K.B. Hyun (General comment)

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-297 to the Committee on Budget for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-583 Testimony on Resolution 25-297

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-298

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CARLA HOUSER TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Carla Houser (General comment)
2. Austin Salcedo (Oppose)
3. Kalei Salcedo (General comment)

Councilmember Tupola voiced her support for the nominee, noting her extensive experience working with youth and kūpuna that would benefit programs at parks. She stated that they both agree that our parks need to be improved and that Ms. Houser could be the "voice" that the Board needs.

Council Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-298 to the Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks for further discussion.

Related communication:

M-587 Testimony on Resolution 25-298

FIRST READING
BILL 67

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 67 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individuals testified:

1. Shelby Billionaire (M-570) (Support)
2. Roy Nakamura (General comment)
3. Kalei Salcedo (Support)
4. Calvin Hulihee (General comment)
5. Zaz Dahlin (General comment)

Bill 67 passed first reading.

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

Related communication:

M-570 Testimony on Bill 67

FIRST READING
BILL 68

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 68 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-571) (Support)

Bill 68 passed first reading.

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

Related communication:

M-571 Testimony on Bill 68

FIRST READING

BILL 69

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATting TO PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 69 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 69 passed first reading.

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

FIRST READING

BILL 70

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 70 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola spoke in support of the Bill and explained that the Bill would permit park dedication funds to be used for dog parks in response to community interest. She expressed her appreciation to advocates and encouraged input from councilmembers.

Councilmember Cordero requested that recommendations from the Planning Commission be included in the Bill for the Council's consideration.

Bill 70 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-584 Testimony on Bill 70

FIRST READING

BILL 71

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SHARED STREETS.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 71 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 71 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

M-556 Testimony on Bill 71

M-581 Testimony on Bill 71

FIRST READING

BILL 72

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 72 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-557) (Support)

Councilmember Kia'āina stated her concern about removing certain restrictions under the current Ordinance, including the 20,000 square foot standard.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam explained that the Bill incorporates recommendations from Department of Planning and Permitting's Bill 7 working group that have not yet come before the Council. He urged councilmembers to support moving the measure forward for further discussion.

Councilmember Tupola stated that she and her staff are working with various stakeholders on Bill 72 along with several related measures. She noted that the Housing Committee will review all the measures collectively to determine the best approach to meet housing needs, reduce unnecessary restrictions, and address community concerns.

Councilmember Nishimoto noted his reservations for the Bill.

Bill 72 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA*, NISHIMOTO*, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

*Councilmembers Kia'āina and Nishimoto voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-557 Testimony on Bill 72

FIRST READING

BILL 73

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Bill 73 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Kia'āina voiced her strong opposition to the provision in the Bill that would allow bicyclists to share sidewalks with pedestrians outside designated areas such as Chinatown, Downtown, and Waikīkī. She stated that while she supports bicyclist safety, the lack of self-discipline and respect for pedestrians demonstrated by some bicyclists concerns her. She noted that if the sidewalk-sharing provision remains in the Bill, she will vote in opposition and may consider introducing legislation to prohibit bicycles on sidewalks outside business districts.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam stated that the Bill aims to clarify the traffic code by defining business districts where sidewalk riding is prohibited, improving public understanding and enforcement by the Honolulu Police Department. He urged councilmembers to consider the measure within the context of existing law and its purpose of enhancing clarity and enforceability.

Councilmember Tupola expressed her concern about existing laws allowing bicycles on sidewalks outside of designated business areas and cited increasing e-bike accidents, including those involving students near schools. She encouraged further review by the Transportation Committee and emphasized the need to update the traffic code in order to improve safety citywide.

Bill 73 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA*, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

*Councilmember Kia'āina voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-558 Testimony on Bill 73

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING

BILL 64 – COMMITTEE REPORT 338

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO APPROPRIATIONS.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 338 be adopted and Bill 64 pass second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-559) (Support)

Councilmember Tupola stated that the Bill enhances transparency during the annual budget process by requiring the Administration to provide a report showing how much money was appropriated and how much lapse. This would allow the Council to efficiently support the Administration's efforts and reallocate unused monies as necessary.

In response to Councilmember Weyer, Andy Kawano, Director, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS), stated that:

- The BFS is opposed to Bill 64.
- Quarterly reports on appropriations are provided to the Council.
- The BFS must finalize the budget process by late January in order to meet statutory deadlines. He noted that the existing budget process, which includes departmental presentations, supplemental schedules, Mayor's budget book, and quarterly appropriation reports, already provides substantial transparency.
- It is challenging for departments to project potential lapses early in the fiscal year because many encumbrances occur later due to staffing limitations. He added that lapsed funds cannot be transferred between departments without reopening the budget. While lapses can be concerning, they also strengthen the City's fund balance, which helps maintain strong credit ratings and reduces borrowing costs.

Committee Report 338 was adopted and Bill 64 passed second reading.

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

*Councilmember Tulba voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-559 Testimony on Bill 64

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING
BILL 65, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 339

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO BUDGET EXECUTION.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 339 be adopted and Bill 65, CD1 pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-560) (Support)

Councilmember Weyer stated that he would be voting no on the Bill. He noted that while he respects the intent of the Bill, appears duplicative with existing City work.

In response to Councilmember Tupola, Andy Kawano, Director, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS), stated that:

- The BFS already provides regular information on large fund transfers to the Council through Resolutions and details of individual transfers through allotment vouchers are routed to the Office of Council Services (OCS).
- Bill 65 would require the BFS to retroactively report on 11 quarters of all transfers which would significantly increase workload and generate additional inquiries from councilmembers, the public, and the media.

- While technology may eventually generate the required reports, in the interim a staff member would need to fulfill the responsibility. He reaffirmed the department's opposition to the measure.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam acknowledged that the Council already receives notifications on fund transfers and suggested that the OCS create a mock-up of 2024 transfers to evaluate the scope of the requested reporting. He noted that the Council may be able to manage this function with new Legislative staff and emphasized the need for clear, timely financial information in advance of the upcoming budget.

Council Chair Waters explained that departments routinely request fund transfers after approval of the executive annual budget in June making it difficult to view and track all adjustments. He stated that the Bill seeks to provide a consolidated report to support the Council in making informed decisions. He stated his support of having the OCS prepare a mock-up of 2024 transfers.

Committee Report 339 was adopted and Bill 65, CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

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

*Councilmember Tulba voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-560 Testimony on Bill 65

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING **BILL 48 – COMMITTEE REPORT 347**

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PEDESTRIAN MALLS.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 347 be adopted and Bill 48 pass second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 347 was adopted and Bill 48 passed second reading.

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

Related communication:

M-562 Testimony on Bill 48

THIRD READING

BILL 59, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 336

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 336 be adopted and Bill 59 pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

The following individuals testified:

1. Kalei Salcedo (Oppose)
2. Roger Babcock, Director, Department of Environmental Services
(General comment)

Councilmember Tupola clarified that the Bill updates and cleans up technical language in the law and does not change or address any existing sewer charges.

Committee Report 336 was adopted and Bill 59, CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: CORDERO – 1.

Related communication:

M-577 Testimony on Bill 59

THIRD READING

BILL 61, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 337

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 337 be adopted and Bill 61 pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 337 was adopted and Bill 61, CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: CORDERO – 1.

Related communication:

M-565 Testimony on Bill 61

THIRD READING

BILL 62, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 348

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AMENDMENTS TO BED AND BREAKFAST HOME AND TRANSIENT VACATION UNIT STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS INITIALLY MADE UNDER ORDINANCE 24-14, BUT INADVERTENTLY OMITTED UNDER ORDINANCE 25-2.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 348 be adopted and Bill 62, CD1 pass third reading. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

The following individuals testified:

1. Tara Gregory (M-576) (General comment)
2. Margaret (Peggy) Aurand (M-576) (General comment)

Councilmember Tupola voiced her support for the Bill to ensure that existing legal transient vacation unit owners are able to register without difficulty.

Committee Report 348 was adopted and Bill 62, CD1 passed third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: NISHIMOTO – 1.

Related communication:

M-576 Testimony on Bill 62

THIRD READING

BILL 5, CD2 – COMMITTEE REPORT 357

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ANIMAL RECOVERY.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam moved that Committee Report 357 be adopted and Bill 5, CD1 pass third reading as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Weyer.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola noted support from the agriculture and ranching community. She stated that transitioning to a procurement-based Request for Proposal process will help manage costs, strengthen oversight, and ensure humane and consistent care for animals.

Committee Report 357 was adopted and Bill 5, CD2 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: NISHIMOTO – 1.

Related communication:

D-798 Department of Customer Services

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-262 – COMMITTEE REPORT 340

RESOLUTION REPEALING THE POLICY ON THE FAREBOX RECOVERY RATIO FOR THE CITY BUS SYSTEM.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 340 and Resolution 25-262 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Dylan P. Armstrong (M-563) (General comment)

Committee Report 340 and Resolution 25-262 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: NISHIMOTO – 1.

Related communication:

M-563 Testimony on Resolution 25-262

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-284 – COMMITTEE REPORT 341

RESOLUTION APPROVING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS FOR THE STATE OF HAWAI'I ORGANIZATION OF POLICE OFFICERS BARGAINING UNIT 12 INCLUDED, EXCLUDED, AND EXCLUDED MANAGERIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 341 and Resolution 25-284 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-572) (Support)

Committee Report 341 and Resolution 25-284 were adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-572 Testimony on Resolution 25-284

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-285 – COMMITTEE REPORT 342

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 342 and Resolution 25-285 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 342 and Resolution 25-285 were adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-287, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 343

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 343 and Resolution 25-287, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola stated her support for the Resolution and thanked the Department of Park and Recreation's (DPR) Maintenance Support Services (MSS) crew for their responsiveness and timely completion of small but important repairs that have significantly benefited the community.

In response to Councilmember Cordero, Kehaulani Pu'u, Deputy Director, DPR explained that MSS was elevated from a branch to a division during a recent departmental reorganization and funds were transferred to reflect the new structure. She stated that approximately \$740,000 will be used for projects done by MSS such as court resurfacing.

Committee Report 343 and Resolution 25-287, CD1 as amended were adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-291 – COMMITTEE REPORT 344

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR CONTRACT NO. SC-COR-2300040 TO CONTINUE THE SERVICES OF MCCORRISTON MILLER MUKAI & MACKINNON LLP, AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT DEFENDANT DANIEL SELLERS IN THE LEGAL ACTION ENTITLED IOSEFA PASENE V. BOISSE CORREA, ET AL., CIVIL NO. CV21-00427 DKW/WRP (USDC).

Councilmember Nishimoto moved that Committee Report 344 and Resolution 25-291 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 344 and Resolution 25-291 were adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-253, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 349

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW THREE-STORY SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING WITH GROUND LEVEL PARKING, SWIMMING POOL, AND INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM IN HALE'IWA, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 349 and Resolution 25-253, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Zaz Dahlin (M-567) (General comment)

In response to Councilmember Weyer, Elizabeth Krueger, Department of Planning and Permitting, stated that the project received a public hearing and did not generate any adverse testimony that could not be addressed through the Department's findings and recommended conditions. She noted that the project did not undergo a robust discussion during the Zoning Committee hearing and clarified that the Neighborhood Board did not provide the applicant with an opportunity to present within the required 60-day period.

Committee Report 349 and Resolution 25-253, CD1 as amended were adopted.

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

*Councilmember Weyer voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-567 Testimony on Resolution 25-253

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-254, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 350

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW THREE-STORY SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING WITH GROUND LEVEL PARKING, PERIMETER WALL, AND INDIVIDUAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM IN HALE'IWA, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 350 and Resolution 25-254, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

In response to Councilmember Weyer, Elizabeth Krueger, Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), acknowledged that there had been an offer to present the project to the Neighborhood Board and that no opposition was received.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that community members have multiple opportunities to provide input on Special Management Area (SMA) projects, including through Neighborhood Board meetings, the DPP's public hearing process, and the Council's Zoning Committee hearings. She encouraged councilmembers to address their concerns in committee and suggested that community members consider forming a dedicated hui to help track SMA projects.

Committee Report 350 and Resolution 25-254, CD1 as amended were adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-582 Testimony on Resolution 25-254

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-260, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 351

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TWO-STORY SINGLE-UNIT DWELLING WITH TWO ATTACHED GARAGES, AUTO COURT, SWIMMING POOL AND SPA, AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS IN WAI'ALAE-KĀHALA, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 351 and Resolution 25-260, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 351 and Resolution 25-260, CD1 as amended were adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-568 Testimony on Resolution 25-260

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-261, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 352

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 18-245, CD1, FD1, AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 21-115, CD1, AND AS FURTHER AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 23-253, CD1, TO FURTHER EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO OBTAIN A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR A RURAL COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL CENTER AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS IN PŪPŪKEA, O‘AHU.

Councilmember Kia‘āina moved that Committee Report 352 and Resolution 25-261, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Denise Antolini, Save Sharks Cove Alliance (M-578) (General comment)

Committee Report 352 and Resolution 25-261, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA‘ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
 TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-578 Testimony on Resolution 25-261

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-269, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 353

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW BANK BRANCH FACILITY THAT INCLUDES COMMERCIAL SPACE IN HAWAI‘I KAI, O‘AHU.

Councilmember Kia‘āina moved that Committee Report 353 and Resolution 25-269, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

The following individual testified:

Robert Domingo, MC3 Architects (M-580) (Support)

Committee Report 353 and Resolution 25-269, CD1 as amended were adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-580 Testimony on Resolution 25-269

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-288 – COMMITTEE REPORT 354

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 18-248, CD1, FD1, TO MODIFY THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SKY ALA MOANA INTERIM PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-TRANSIT PROJECT.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 354 and Resolution 25-288 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tupola.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola voiced her support for the Resolution. She stated that the Resolution provides needed flexibility to prevent vacancies, keeps local families housed, and upholds long-term affordability during current housing shortages.

Committee Report 354 and Resolution 25-288 were adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-257, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 355

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF OVERT VIDEO MONITORING IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO PREVENT AND DETER GENERAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVE THE LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OBJECTIVE AND LEGITIMATE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF ENSURING A SAFE AND SECURE 2025 HONOLULU MARATHON EVENT.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Committee Report 355 and Resolution 25-257, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 355 and Resolution 25-257, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-564 Testimony on Resolution 25-257

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-286 – COMMITTEE REPORT 356

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF THANKSGIVING DAY MEALS VALUED AT \$18,095 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU FIREFIGHTERS FOUNDATION FOR ON-DUTY HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Committee Report 356 and Resolution 25-286 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

The following individual testified:

Shelby Billionaire (M-573) (Support)

Committee Report 356 and Resolution 25-286 were adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-573 Testimony on Resolution 25-286

BALANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

ILACR-345 Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Anita K. Lorinc v. City and County of Honolulu, et al.; Civil No. 22-CV-00200 RT (USDC).

ILACR-346 Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Paula Jones, et al. v. Enterprise Rent-a-Car, et al.; Civil No. 1CCV-24-0001499 SMK (Cir. Ct.).

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

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that she would be voting with reservations on Committee Report 345. She noted that while she appreciates individuals who move to Hawai'i and take an interest in local issues, those who show disregard for Hawai'i's culture and laws should reconsider remaining in the islands.

Committee Report 345 was adopted.

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

*Councilmember Kia'āina and Council Chair Waters voted aye with reservations.

Committee Report 346 was adopted.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION **RESOLUTION 25-282**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU'S LIST OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CANDIDATE PROJECTS IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Resolution 25-282 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Committee on Infrastructure, Transportation & Technology (CC-237).

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-282 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-282 was adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-561 Testimony on Resolution 25-282

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-300

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF AIRFARE, LODGING, AND MEALS VALUED AT \$2,039 TO THE CITY FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES OPIOID SOLUTIONS LEADERSHIP NETWORK FOR COUNCILMEMBER TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES OPIOID SOLUTIONS LEADERSHIP NETWORK AMBASSADORS CAPSTONE EVENT IN WASHINGTON, D.C., FROM NOVEMBER 5-7, 2025.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-300 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-300 was adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-304

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF TRAVEL, LODGING, MEALS, AND RELATED EXPENSES VALUED AT \$2,080.98 TO THE CITY FROM ABUNDANCE NETWORK EDUCATION FOR COUNCILMEMBER TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ABUNDANT ELECTED FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM'S IN-PERSON TRAINING WEEKEND IN TEMPE, ARIZONA.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-304 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-304 was adopted.

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

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-305, FD1

RESOLUTION STRONGLY REQUESTING THAT THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING DECLARE THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT-MINOR FOR KAMANANUI AGRIBUSINESS ACTIVITIES NULL AND VOID, OR ALTERNATIVELY DENY MODIFICATIONS TO THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT-MINOR REQUESTED BY KAUKONAHUA RANCH, LLC.

The following amendment was handcarried to the meeting:

Resolution 25-305, Proposed FD1 (OCS2025-0878/11/4/2025 8:58 AM)

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-305 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 25-305 be amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0878/11/4/2025 8:58 AM). Seconded by Councilmember Tupola. Councilmember Kia'āina explained the FD1 amendment.

The following individual testified:

Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai (Support)

Resolution 25-305 was amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0878/11/4/2025 8:58 AM).

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

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

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

The following individuals testified:

1. Mike Pietsch (M-554) (General comment)
2. Kalei Salcedo (Support)
3. Austin Salcedo (Support)
4. Lennie Espionzoza (Support)
5. Shelby Billionaire (M-554) (Support)
6. Kathleen Pahinui, North Shore Neighborhood Board No 27 (D-796) (Support)
7. Rex Dubiel Shanahan (M-554) (Support)
8. Denise Antolini (M-554) (General comment)
9. Charles Huner (M-554) (Support)
10. Pedro Quintino (M-554) (Support)
11. Leimana Damate, Hawaii State Ahamoku (Support)
12. Dylan P. Armstrong (General comment)
13. Robert Cherry (General comment)
14. Joel Centeio (M-554)(Support)
15. Zaz Dahlin (M-554) (Support)
16. Barbara Luke-Boe (Support)
17. Racquel Achiu (M-554) (Support)
18. Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai (General comment)

In response to councilmembers, Dawn Takeuchi Apuna, Director, Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) stated that:

- The DPP has received all the testimonies submitted during the public comment period including from the U.S. Army Garrison Hawai'i, Kokua Hawai'i Foundation, and Office of Hawaiian Affairs in opposition of the project.
- The DPP Director has the discretion under the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law to declare the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) null and void in the event of non-compliance.
- The DPP is currently reviewing the minor modification application and will not comment as they conduct their analysis. The department is evaluating all representations made in both the original permit application as well as the current modification request, including detailed agricultural commitments outlined in the original decision and order. The DPP will conduct site visits and use information provided by the applicant to decide.

- The DPP will evaluate the application according to legal standards, and not solely on public sentiment. Although the public comment period has closed, the DPP is understanding of extenuating circumstances, such as the federal furloughs and are still considering and accepting their testimony.
- If the existing CUP is revoked, the applicant would be required to apply for a new CUP that would be subject to current law.
- The DPP aims to complete its determination within the month of November and emphasized that all testimony, ordinances, rules and statutes will be thoroughly evaluated.

Councilmember Kia'āina thanked neighborhood boards and community members for their opposition, stating that the gondola project affects all of O'ahu. She cited U.S. Army Garrison Hawai'i's objection and stated her concern that the proposal prioritizes tourism related activities over agricultural activities. She urged councilmembers' support for the Resolution to protect the rural character of the North Shore.

Councilmember Tupola voiced her support for the Resolution and cited the applicant's unmet agricultural obligations. She stressed that agritourism must remain secondary to agriculture and noted cultural concerns under the Ka Pa'akai o Ka 'Āina framework. She stated that the project would not meet those requirements and thanked the North Shore community and advocates for mobilizing islandwide awareness.

Councilmember Weyer spoke in support of the Resolution. He noted a measure is currently pending in the Zoning Committee that would require Neighborhood Board meetings for agritourism and agribusiness projects and allow the DPP to hold public hearings. It would also allow for community input at the beginning of the project that would assist the DPP in making the most informed decision.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam voiced his support for the Resolution and commented on the investor's failure to conduct meaningful community engagement.

Resolution 25-305, FD1 was adopted.

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

Related communications:

D-796	North Shore Neighborhood Board No. 27
D-803	Mililani/Waipio/Melemanu Neighborhood Board No. 25
D-804	Nānākuli-Mā'ili Neighborhood Board No. 36
M-554	Testimony on Resolution 25-305
M-585	Testimony on Resolution 25-305

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-306, FD1

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF A PARUL SAMPERNANDU (GIANT LANTERN), VALUED AT \$350.00, TO THE CITY FROM THE PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL IN HONOLULU FOR DISPLAY AT THE 2025 HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS EVENT AT HONOLULU HALE.

The following amendment was handcarried to the meeting:

Resolution 25-306, Proposed FD1 (OCS2025-0880/11/4/2025 3:37 PM)

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-306 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

Councilmember Tulba moved that Resolution 25-306 be amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0880/11/4/2025 3:37 PM). Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina. Councilmember Tulba explained the FD1 amendment.

The following individual testified:

Jennifer Santos, Mayor's Office of Culture and Arts (General comment)

Resolution 25-306 was amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0880/11/4/2025 3:37 PM).

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

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

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

Resolution 25-306, FD1 was adopted.

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

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-308

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE 2026 HAWAI'I STATE ASSOCIATION OF
COUNTIES' LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Resolution 25-308 be adopted. Seconded by
Councilmember Kia'āina.

The following individual testified:

Brett Kulbis (M-575) (Oppose)

Resolution 25-308 was adopted.

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

Related communication:

M-575 Testimony on Resolution 25-308

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Cordero wished Councilmember Okimoto a happy birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:25 p.m., Councilmember Tupola moved that Council stand adjourned until Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina and there being no objections from the 9 members present, it was so ordered by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,



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