



**HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL**  
**KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU**  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

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**Voting Members:**

Val A. Okimoto, Chair  
Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair  
Esther Kia'aina  
Augie Tulba  
Tommy Waters

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## WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Budget was called to order by Committee Chair Val A. Okimoto at 9:07 a.m. Councilmembers Kia'aina (voting member), Nishimoto (voting member), Tulba (voting member), and Council Chair Waters (voting member) were present at the meeting.

[9:10 a.m.]

At this juncture, the Committee Chair announced that Agenda Item No. 1, Resolution 26-10, on page 3 of the agenda, was cancelled and would not be considered.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### FOR ACTION

1. RESOLUTION 26-10

APPOINTMENT OF JULIE PIOTROWSKI TO SERVE ON THE GRANTS IN AID ADVISORY COMMISSION. Confirming the appointment of Julie Piotrowski to the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on January 14, 2030.

This item was cancelled.

[9:10 a.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 26-21 – COMMITTEE REPORT 27(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DHLM). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$350,000 in General Fund monies, \$181,438 from the Housing Development Division activity (salary character of expenditure ("COE")) and \$168,562 from the Land Transactions Division activity (salary COE) to the Administration Division activity (salary COE); \$241,680 in Clean Water and Natural Lands Fund monies from the Administration Division activity (current expenses ("CE") COE) to the Conservation Office activity (CE COE) to ensure that appropriations reflect the Department of Housing and Land Management's ("DHLM") newly-approved organizational structure, divisions, functions, and activities.

[9:14 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:15 a.m.]

Resolution 26-21 reported out for adoption.

AYES: KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.  
NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-43(26) Department of Housing and Land Management

[9:15 a.m.]

3. BILL 1 (2026) – COMMITTEE REPORT 26(26)

RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER (MED). Amending Chapter 6, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, establishing fees and charges for the performance of services by the MED that the department is not otherwise required by law to perform, that are reasonably related to the cost of the service being provided, and that are not among the fees that the MED is currently authorized to charge.

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[9:16 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[9:17 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:17 a.m.]

Bill 1 (2026) amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0063/1/28/2026 11:34 AM).

AYES: KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA – 4.  
NOES: None.  
ABSENT: WATERS – 1.

[9:17 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Okimoto called for a recess at 9:18 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

[9:24 a.m.]

Bill 1 (2026), CD1 reported out for passage on second reading and scheduling of a public hearing.

AYES: KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.  
NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-4(26) Department of the Medical Examiner

[9:24 a.m.]

4. BILL 76 (2025) – COMMITTEE REPORT 24(26)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY. Enhancing governmental transparency in the City and County of Honolulu.

[9:25 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:26 a.m.]

Bill 76 (2025) reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-49(26) Testimony on Bill 76 (2025)

[9:26 a.m.]

5. BILL 77 (2025) – COMMITTEE REPORT 25(26)

RELATING TO BUDGET EXECUTION. Amending provisions related to budget execution.

[9:28 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:29 a.m.]

Councilmember Tupola entered the Council Chamber.

[9:29 a.m.]

Bill 77 (2025) reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.

NOES: None.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.