



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
& ECONOMY**

Voting Members:

Augie Tulba, Chair
Esther Kia'āina, Vice Chair
Scott Y. Nishimoto
Val A. Okimoto
Andria Tupola

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

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

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Public Safety & Economy was called to order by Committee Chair Augie Tulba at 1:02 p.m. Councilmembers Kia'āina (voting member), Okimoto (voting member), and Tupola (voting member) were present at the meeting.

[1:02 p.m.]

Councilmember Nishimoto entered the Council Chamber.

[1:04 p.m.]

At this juncture, Committee Chair Tulba announced that he would take up Agenda Items 1, 3, and 6 together as they all relate to the acceptance of gifts for the Honolulu Police Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR ACTION

[1:05 p.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 26-28 – COMMITTEE REPORT 66(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (HPD). Accepting a monetary gift, valued at \$18,500 to the City from The Deputies to fund the trainings, scholarships, uniforms, and equipment for the Honolulu Police Department’s Law Enforcement Explorer Program.

3. RESOLUTION 26-31 – COMMITTEE REPORT 68(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (HPD). Accepting a gift of travel and related expenses, valued at \$1,972.79 to the City from the Washington State Narcotics Investigators Association (WSNIA) for a representative of the Honolulu Police Department to attend the WSNIA 2026 Training Summit and Vendor Show in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, from April 19-23, 2026.

6. RESOLUTION 26-44 – COMMITTEE REPORT 71(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (HPD). Accepting a gift valued at \$11,360 to the City from The 200 Club, of 120 seats for the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) personnel and dignitaries to attend The 200 Club Breakfast and Awards Ceremony on May 15, 2026, and to honor and award the HPD’s outstanding officer, parent, reserve officer, civilian supervisor and employee of the year, and citizenship award for National Police Week 2026.

[1:09 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:12 p.m.]

Resolution 26-28 reported out for adoption.

AYES: KIA’ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA – 5.
NOES: None.

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[1:13 p.m.]

Resolution 26-31 reported out for adoption.

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

[1:13 p.m.]

Resolution 26-44 reported out for adoption.

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

Related communications:

D-65(26)	Honolulu Police Department
D-70(26)	Honolulu Police Department
D-103(26)	Honolulu Police Department

[1:13 p.m.]

At this juncture, Committee Chair Tulba announced that he would take up Agenda Items 2 and 4 together as they both relate to the acceptance of gifts for the Honolulu Fire Department.

[1:13 p.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 26-30 – COMMITTEE REPORT 67(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (HFD). Accepting a gift of a one passenger van, valued at \$60,000 to the City from Kevin Wojcek Explorers for Life Association, Inc. and the HFD Explorers for the Honolulu Fire Department to further its outreach to the community through education, fire safety, and recruitment.

4. RESOLUTION 26-35 – COMMITTEE REPORT 69(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (HFD). Accepting a monetary gift, valued at \$17,300 to the City from the Honolulu Firefighters Foundation for various Honolulu Fire Department events.

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[1:16 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:17 p.m.]

Resolution 26-30 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0118/2/27/2026 2:04 PM) and reported out for adoption.

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

[1:17 p.m.]

Resolution 26-35 reported out for adoption.

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

Related communications:

D-67(26)	Honolulu Fire Department
D-77(26)	Honolulu Fire Department
D-109(26)	Honolulu Fire Department

[1:17 p.m.]

At this juncture, Committee Chair Tulba announced that he would take up Agenda Items 5, 7, and 8 together as they all relate to the acceptance of gifts for the Department of Enterprise Services.

[1:18 p.m.]

5. RESOLUTION 26-41 – COMMITTEE REPORT 70(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (DES). Accepting a gift of registration and travel expenses, valued at \$3,500 to the City from The Honolulu Zoological Society for a staff member of the Honolulu Zoo to participate in the Association of Zoos and Aquariums Species Survival Plan Program on Labuan Bajo Island, Indonesia, from April 3-15, 2026.

7. RESOLUTION 26-48 – COMMITTEE REPORT 72(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (DES). Accepting a gift of a pre-owned classic mini express 48-volt trackless train, valued at \$8,300 to the City from The Honolulu Zoological Society for the Honolulu Zoo.

8. RESOLUTION 26-49 – COMMITTEE REPORT 73(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (DES). Accepting a gift of the installation of pumps, filters, and UV water sterilization system in the Gharial exhibit pools at the Honolulu Zoo, valued at \$52,000 to the City from The Honolulu Zoological Society.

[1:21 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:21 p.m.]

Resolution 26-41 reported out for adoption.

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

[1:22 p.m.]

Resolution 26-48 reported out for adoption.

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

[1:22 p.m.]

Resolution 26-49 reported out for adoption.

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

Related communications:

D-88(26)	Department of Enterprise Services
D-105(26)	Department of Enterprise Services
D-107(26)	Department of Enterprise Services

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

[1:22 p.m.]

9. UPDATE BY THE ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION COMMISSION ON ITS 2025 ANNUAL REPORT AND PRIORITIES FOR 2026.

[1:22 p.m.]

The Committee Chair called upon Executive Director Amy Asselbaye of the Office of Economic Revitalization to provide a presentation on the Economic Revitalization Commission 2025 Report to the Committee. (MM-21[26])

[1:22 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina exited the Council Chamber.

[1:23 p.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[1:25 p.m.]

Councilmember Kia'āina entered the Council Chamber.

[1:31 p.m.]

Councilmember Nishimoto exited the Council Chamber.

[1:57 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.