



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026
1:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Section 92-3.7, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), 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 HRS Section 1-13, 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 **85812847653** and Passcode **008367**.
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Persons wishing to testify in the Council Chamber are requested to register by 1:00 p.m. by filling out the registration form in person. Persons who have not registered will be given an opportunity to speak following the oral testimonies of the registered speakers.

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Should you have any questions, please call (808) 768-3819 or send an email to darci.nago@honolulu.gov.

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FOR ACTION

1. **RESOLUTION 26-7 – ESTABLISHING AN END LANDFILLS TASK FORCE.**
Establishing an End Landfills Task Force to evaluate the feasibility, costs, risks, and implementation pathways for eliminating landfill dependency in the City and County of Honolulu.

PROPOSED CD1 TO RESOLUTION 26-7 (Submitted by Councilmember Tupola) – The CD1 (OCS2026-0201/4/13/2026 10:29 AM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Adds a new fourth WHEREAS clause to note that the pending closure of the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary Landfill represents a key planning driver and near-term inflection point for the City.
- B. In the first BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause, provides for four additional members to serve on the End Landfills Task Force by:
 1. Adding (i) a representative from the Board of Water Supply; (ii) a representative from the State of Hawai'i Department of Health; and (iii) a representative from the Office of the Governor; and
 2. Allowing both the Speaker of the Hawai'i State House of Representatives and the President of the Hawai'i State Senate to each appoint one member (instead of providing for just one member from the Hawai'i State Legislature, to be appointed jointly by the Speaker and the President).
- C. In the second BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause:
 1. Clarifies that the End Landfills Task Force shall also analyze the feasibility and workforce impacts associated with technologies and strategies intended to reduce or eliminate landfill reliance, and lists examples of technologies and strategies that the End Landfills Task Force may consider; and
 2. Amends the final written report submission date from "365 days" to "540 days."

- D. Adds a new third BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause that requires the End Landfills Task Force to coordinate, as appropriate, with relevant State of Hawai'i agencies, including but not limited to the State of Hawai'i Department of Health, the Office of the Governor, and the Hawai'i State Legislature ("Relevant State Agencies"), as well as any relevant groups convened by resolution, statute, executive order, proclamation, or by invitation of any of the Relevant State Agencies, to study or address solid waste management or landfill dependency issues ("Relevant Working Groups").
 - E. Adds a new fourth BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause that, with regard to Relevant State Agencies and Relevant Working Groups:
 - 1. Encourages the End Landfills Task Force to share its data and analyses; participate in joint informational meetings or briefings where appropriate; align its timelines and analytical frameworks when feasible; and avoid duplicative research and outreach;
 - 2. Clarifies that any coordination shall in no way constitute or create any joint task force, joint authority, or joint decision-making body; and
 - 3. Clarifies that the End Landfills Task Force, Relevant State Agencies, and Relevant Working Groups shall remain independent and solely responsible for their own actions and operations.
 - F. In the BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED clause, adds the following to the list of recipients who will be transmitted a copy of the resolution: the Manager and Chief Engineer of the Board of Water Supply; the State of Hawai'i Director of Health; and the Governor.
 - G. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.
2. **RESOLUTION 26-58 – PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT-INITIATED TOWING PROGRAM.** Directing the City Auditor to conduct a performance audit of the Department of Customer Services' law enforcement-initiated towing program, management, and contract administration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee anticipates convening into Executive Session pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), to consult in a closed meeting with its attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to claims and other matters on the City's and the Council's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and/or liabilities.

3. Request for authorization to settle claims against the City and County of Honolulu by Gerald Eubank

4. Resolution to retain the legal services of Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher, a Law Corporation, as Special Deputy Corporation Counsel to advise and represent the City and County of Honolulu in claims and disputes relating to the Skyline Core Systems Contract

5. Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Jonathan Lefiti v. Dejanira Seale, et al., Civil No. 1CCV-25-0000798

6. Request for authorization to settle a case against the City and County of Honolulu entitled State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. as subrogee for Sandra Jamora v. City and County of Honolulu; Civil No. 1DRC-25-0007177

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 City's and the Council's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and/or liabilities relating to that item.

SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, Chair
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& Legal Affairs