SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMMITTEE DRAFT:

RESOLUTION 26-100
CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LANI LAPILIO TO SERVE ON THE O‘AHU HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The PROPOSED CD1 makes the following amendments:

A. Amends the resolution title to read as follows:

"CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LANI MA‘A LAPILIO TO SERVE ON THE O‘AHU HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU."

B. Separates the third WHEREAS clause, relating to commissioner qualifications, into two WHEREAS clauses:

1. In the third WHEREAS clause, includes the list of disciplines (academic fields of study) that commissioners are selected from; and

2. In the fourth WHEREAS clause, details the expertise and knowledge commissioners must possess, and that the Mayor is required to seek recommendations on Commission appointments from community, professional, and ethnic organizations.

C. In the seventh WHEREAS clause, provides that the Mayor appointed Lani Ma‘a Lapilio to the O‘ahu Historic Preservation Commission by Mayor's Message 58 (2026).

D. In the eighth WHEREAS clause, provides that Lani Ma‘a Lapilio will succeed Kai E. White, whose term will expire on June 16, 2026, serve for a term to expire on June 16, 2031, and provide representation in the Hawaiian culture discipline.

E. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

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RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Section 6-1518, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended ("Charter"), establishes a O‘ahu Historic Preservation Commission ("Commission") consisting of nine members; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-1518 sets forth the powers, duties, and functions of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-10.3(b), Revised Ordinances of Honolulu ("ROH"), the members of the Commission must be appointed from among professionals and individuals with special interest in the following disciplines:

(1) Architecture;

(2) History;

(3) Archaeology;

(4) Planning:

(5) Architectural history;

(6) Hawaiian culture;

(7) Anthropology;

(8) Ethnography; and

(9) Sociology;

provided that the Commission must include an expert in Native Hawaiian culture issues and concerns and in archaeology; and

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WHEREAS, ROH Section 3-10.3 (b) further requires that:

1. All members of the Commission have:

    a. Professional, educational, or demonstrated work experience, or a combination thereof, in the disciplines listed above and reflect an ethnic diversity to carry out the purposes of the Commission to identify, protect, preserve, and restore historic properties and artifacts of all ethnic cultures; and

    b. A demonstrated interest, competence, and knowledge in historic preservation; and

2. The Mayor solicit lists of two or more persons, recommended by the community and professional organizations, and appropriate ethnic organizations dedicated to preserving unique cultural heritages, including but not limited to the Center for Hawaiian Studies at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, the Hawai‘i Civic clubs, the Honolulu Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and others, for consideration in making Commission appointments; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-103, which applies to the Commission, requires that appointees to the Commission be registered voters of the City and County of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Charter Section 13-103, Commission members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council ("Council") to serve staggered five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor’s Message 58 (2026), dated April 24, 2026, the Mayor has appointed Lani Ma‘a Lapilio to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Lani Ma‘a Lapilio will succeed Kai E. White, whose term will expire on June 16, 2026, serve for a term to expire on June 16, 2031, and provide representation in the Hawaiian culture discipline; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Lani Ma‘a Lapilio's qualifications and character and finds that she is qualified to serve on the Commission; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Lani Ma‘a Lapilio to the O’ahu Historic Preservation Commission for a term expiring on June 16, 2031; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Lani Ma‘a Lapilio for her willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in City government; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Chair of the O’ahu Historic Preservation Commission, the Director of Planning and Permitting, and Lani Ma‘a Lapilio.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

April 29, 2026
Honolulu, Hawai‘i

Councilmembers

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