REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:
Val A. Okimoto, Chair; Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair;
Radiant Cordero, Esther Kiaʻāina, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters

Committee Meeting Held
May 19, 2026

Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Budget, which considered Resolution 26-121 entitled:

"RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS,"

transmitted by Departmental Communication 334 (2026), dated May 7, 2026, from the Honolulu Fire Department ("HFD") and introduced on May 13, 2026, reports as follows:

The purpose of the resolution is to authorize a transfer not to exceed $585,000 in General Fund monies from the "HFD Fire Operations and Mechanic Shop activities (Salaries ("S") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the Radio Shop, Fire Operations, and Mechanic Shop activities (Current Expenses ("CE") COE) for Fiscal Year 2026 to fund increased costs associated with utilities, fuel, energy, parts and equipment, and costs related to the Kona Low storm.

Battalion Chief Craig Souza from HFD testified in support of the resolution and answered Councilmembers' questions and concerns.

No public testimony was offered on the resolution.

Your Committee considered and approved a proposed hand-carried CD1 version that makes the following amendments:

A. In the third WHEREAS clause and the BE IT RESOLVED clause, corrects the abbreviation for General Fund to "GN."

ADOPTED ON JUN 3 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 133(26)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:
Val A. Okimoto, Chair; Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair;
Radiant Cordero, Esther Kia'āina, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters

B. In the third WHEREAS clause, clarifies that the requested transfers are between activities and characters of expenditure within the Honolulu Fire Department ("HFD").

C. In the fourth WHEREAS clause, clarifies that the increased costs are related to the March 2026 Kona Low storms.

D. In the BE IT RESOLVED clause, adds "HFD" to the recipient activities in the table.

E. E. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

Your Committee on Budget is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 26-121 , as apmended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 26-121, CD1. (Ayes: Cordero, Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Waters – 6; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Val a. Okimoto

Committee Chair

ADOPTED ON JUN 3 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 133(26)

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **26-121, CD1**

RESOLUTION

RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Section 2-17.2(c)(1), Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("ROH"), requires that the City Council ("Council") approve by resolution any transfer of funds between activities whenever the cumulative amount of transfers from or to an activity totals in excess of $100,000 or 10 percent of the amount appropriated for that activity in the executive operating budget ordinance, as it may be amended, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-17.2(c)(2), ROH, requires that the Council approve by resolution any transfer of funds between characters of expenditure within the same activity whenever the cumulative amount of transfers from or to a character of expenditure exceeds the lesser of: (a) $100,000; or (b) the greater of: (i) 10 percent of the appropriation for either the originating or receiving character of expenditure; or (ii) $10,000; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Fire Department ("HFD") requested transfers totaling $585,000 in General Fund ("GN") monies between activities and characters of expenditure within the HFD to meet budget shortfalls in current expenses for Fiscal Year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the transfers are required to fund increased costs associated with utilities, fuel, energy, parts and equipment, and costs related to the March 2026 Kona Low storms; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that $585,000 in General Fund ("GN") monies be transferred between the following activities and characters of expenditure:

From	To	Amount	Fund
HFD, Fire Operations (S)	HFD, Radio Shop (CE)	$ 65,000	GN
HFD, Fire Operations (S)	HFD, Fire Operations (CE)	$350,000	GN
HFD Mechanic Shop (S)	HFD Mechanic Shop (CE)	$170,000	GN

; and

RESOLUTION

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, or the Mayor's designee, is hereby authorized to carry out the provisions of this resolution; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Fire Chief and the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

May 13, 2026
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

Report Title:
Transfer of Funds; General Fund ("GN"); Honolulu Fire Department ("HFD"); Budget and Fiscal Services ("BFS"); March 2026 Kona Low Storms; Transfer of Funds; Fire Chief; Costs; Salaries; Current Expenses

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.