



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:

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

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 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 Budget was called to order by Committee Chair Val A. Okimoto at 10:05 a.m. Councilmembers Cordero (voting member), Kia'aina (voting member), Nishimoto (voting member), Tulba (voting member), and Council Chair Waters (voting member) were present at the meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR ACTION

[10:08 a.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 26-98 – COMMITTEE REPORT 127(26)

REAPPOINTMENT OF DR. PETER YOUNG TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW III FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX APPEAL. Confirming the reappointment of Dr. Peter Young to serve on the Board of Review III for real property tax appeals of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on June 30, 2031.

[10:09 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

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[10:17 a.m.]

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam entered the Council Chamber.

[10:26 a.m.]

Resolution 26-98 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0334/5/18/2026 11:07 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

MM-57(26) Office of the Mayor
MM-70(26) Managing Director

[10:27 a.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 26-106 – COMMITTEE REPORT 128(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (ENV). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$1,500,000 in Solid Waste Special Fund monies from the Refuse Collection and Disposal activity (Salaries ("S") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the Refuse Collection and Disposal activity (Current Expenses ("CE") COE) for the Fiscal Year 2026 to cover a portion of the Disaster Debris Monitoring and Disaster Debris Clearing and Hauling Services cost.

[10:28 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:29 a.m.]

Resolution 26-106 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0309/5/18/2026 11:27 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

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Related communication:

D-302(26) Department of Environmental Services

[10:30 a.m.]

3. RESOLUTION 26-107 – COMMITTEE REPORT 129(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DFM). Authorizing a transfer (totaling \$1,487,000) not to exceed \$1,257,000 in General Fund monies and \$230,000 in Highway Fund monies from the Provision for Energy Costs activity (Current Expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the Department of Facility Maintenance ("DFM") Public Building and Electrical Maintenance Division activity (CE COE) and the DFM, Division of Automotive Equipment Service activity (CE COE) for the Fiscal Year 2026 to cover insufficient funding for increases in electricity, gas, and fuel costs.

[10:31 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:32 a.m.]

Resolution 26-107 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0299/5/13/2026 2:22 PM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-305(26) Department of Budget and Fiscal Services

[10:33 a.m.]

4. RESOLUTION 26-109 – COMMITTEE REPORT 130(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HPD). Authorizing a transfer of up to \$4,000 in General Fund monies within the Honolulu Police Department ("HPD") Patrol activity (Current Expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE") to the Equipment ("E") COE) for the Fiscal Year 2026 due to higher than anticipated costs for the HPD to purchase vehicles for use by the Community Policing Teams ("CPT").

[10:34 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:40 a.m.]

Resolution 26-109 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0310/5/18/2026 9:07 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-311(26) Honolulu Police Department

[10:41 a.m.]

5. RESOLUTION 26-114 – COMMITTEE REPORT 131(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DTS). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$1,000,000 in Transportation Fund monies from the Provision for Energy Costs activity (Current Expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the Department of Transportation Services ("DTS"), Transportation Mobility activity (CE COE) for the Fiscal Year 2026 to cover fuel and electricity shortages.

[10:41 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

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[10:44 a.m.]

Resolution 26-114 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-324(26) Department of Budget and Fiscal Services

[10:44 a.m.]

6. RESOLUTION 26-119 – COMMITTEE REPORT 132(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HPD). Authorizing a transfer of up to \$5,500,000 in General Fund monies between the activities of the Police Commission, Special Field Operations, and Administrative Services activities, (Salaries ("S") character of expenditure ("COE")), to the Office of the Chief of Police, Patrol, Investigations, and Support Services activities (S COE), for Fiscal Year 2026 to cover projected salary deficits due to overtime expenditures as a result of staffing vacant positions and/or unforeseen weather events.

[10:46 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:49 a.m.]

Resolution 26-119 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0329/5/18/2026 10:31 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-332(26) Honolulu Police Department

[10:50 a.m.]

7. RESOLUTION 26-121 – COMMITTEE REPORT 133(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HFD). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$585,000 in General Fund monies from the Honolulu Fire Department ("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.

[10:51 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:52 a.m.]

Resolution 26-121 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0326/5/18/2026 8:52 AM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-334(26) Honolulu Fire Department

[10:53 a.m.]

8. RESOLUTION 26-122 – COMMITTEE REPORT 134(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (BFS). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed a total of \$1,322,000 in General Fund monies from the Provision for Salary Adjustments and Accrued Vacation Pay Activity (Current Expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE")); \$11,500 in Liquor Commission Fund ("LC"); \$1,260,500 in General Fund ("GN"); and \$50,000 in Hanauma Bay Nature Preserve Fund ("HN") monies to the Department of Corporation Counsel ("COR"), Honolulu Fire Department ("HFD"), and Ocean Safety Department ("OSD") activities (Salaries (S) COE); to fund accrued vacation payments and anticipated arbitration salary increase payments.

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[10:53 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[10:54 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:54 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

[10:56 a.m.]

Resolution 26-122 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-335(26) Department of Budget and Fiscal Services

[10:56 a.m.]

Councilmember Nishimoto exited the Council Chamber.

[10:56 a.m.]

9. RESOLUTION 26-123 – COMMITTEE REPORT 135(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (ESD). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$57,000 in General Fund monies from the Provision for Energy Costs activity (Current Expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the Department of Emergency Services ("ESD"), Emergency Medical Services activity (CE COE) for the Fiscal Year 2026 to cover a projected shortfall caused by increased fuel prices from various weather emergencies such as the Kona Low storms in March and April 2026.

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[10:57 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:57 a.m.]

Councilmember Nishimoto entered the Council Chamber.

[11:09 a.m.]

Resolution 26-123 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

D-336(26) Department of Budget and Fiscal Services

[11:09 a.m.]

10. RESOLUTION 26-124 – COMMITTEE REPORT 136(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (CSD). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed \$650,000 in General Fund monies from the Department of Customer Services ("CSD"), Division of Motor Vehicles ("DMV") activity (Salaries ("S") character of expenditure ("COE")) to the CSD, DMV activity (Current Expenses ("CE") COE) for Fiscal Year 2026 due to cost increases associated with increased volume and materials to process motor vehicle registrations and driver licensing.

[11:09 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[11:11 a.m.]

Resolution 26-124 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA,
WATERS – 6.

NOES: None.

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Related communication:

D-337(26) Department of Customer Services

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.