RES26-102
Testimony

MISC. COMM. 219

COUNCIL

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Meeting Date: Jun 3, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

Support: 16

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 0

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Hawaii LECET	Support	May 29, 2026 @ 04:06 PM

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Self	Support	May 29, 2026 @ 06:50 PM

Testimony:

I am writing in support of the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals. I support Ryan's reappointment because I believe he has the integrity and intelligence to perform exceptionally well. I previously served on the ZBA and also as its chair. That experience gives me an ability to recommend Ryan without hesitation. I ask for your support as well.

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Self	Support	May 29, 2026 @ 06:58 PM

Testimony:

Subject: Testimony in Support of Resolution 26-102 – Reappointment of Ryan Toyomura

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

I am writing today to express my strong support for the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals City & County of Honolulu

Having followed Ryan’s professional work and contributions, I am confident that his continued service will remain an asset to our city. His dedication, integrity, and depth of knowledge make him an ideal candidate to continue in this role.

I respectfully urge the Council to vote in favor of Resolution 26-102 and confirm his reappointment. Thank you for your time and for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

Bruce A Coppa

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Ohana Unity Party	Support	May 31, 2026 @ 08:52 AM

Testimony:

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Self	Support	Jun 1, 2026 @ 09:53 AM

Testimony:

Aloha e Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council,

My name is Henderson K. Huihui, and I am an attorney licensed to practice in Hawai'i. I am writing in SUPPORT of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

I have witnessed Mr. Toyomura Chair the Zoning Board of Appeals. He is both efficient and thoughtful when reviewing appeals. Mr. Toyomura has demonstrated the ability to review large filings and identify key legal issues in an appeal.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Council to pass Resolution 26-102 and to confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Me ka ha'aha'a,

Henderson K. Huihui

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Self	Support	Jun 1, 2026 @ 03:34 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Councilmembers,

I strongly support Ryan Toyomura reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ryan's background as a practicing attorney and previous work in government will provide the necessary skills and experience to serve as an effective

member of the Zoning Board of Appeals where he currently serves as it Chair. I have directly seen the characteristics of dilligence, excellence and attention to detail reflect in his private work and public service. This city would be stronger with his continued service.

I strongly urge the Council to SUPPORT Ryan's reappointment!

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Testimony:

June 2, 2026

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Re: Resolution 26-102; Confirming the Reppointment of Ryan Toyomura to Serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals - (IN SUPPORT)

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in SUPPORT of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

I have known Ryan for at least 17 years and have a deep respect for his respectfulness, honesty, and warm-hearted nature. Ryan behaves with the utmost credibility and personal integrity. You will find his demeanor patient and thorough. I trust that Ryan will use that same approach, as well as his experience as the Zoning Board of Appeals Chair, and his background as a practicing attorney to provide the necessary skills and experience as a contributing member of this committee.

I respectfully request the passing of Resolution 26-102 confirming the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mahalo!

Respectfully,
Jason Y. Ito

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Self	Support	Jun 3, 2026 @ 06:11 AM

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Re: Resolution 26-102; Confirming the Reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to Serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals - (IN SUPPORT)

Dear Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council:

I am writing in strong SUPPORT of Resolution 26-102, which reappoints Ryan M. Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Toyomura brings a valuable combination of legal training, government experience, and practical understanding of zoning and land-use matters. His thoughtful approach, professionalism, and commitment to public service have contributed to a balanced and effective Board.

His continued service will help ensure that appeals are reviewed with fairness, clarity, and respect for both statutory requirements and community impacts. I respectfully urge the Council to confirm his reappointment.

I request your favorable consideration.

Mahalo, Myoung

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Self	Support	Jun 3, 2026 @ 08:16 AM

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May 29, 2026

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
City Council Chamber
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Wednesday, June 3, 2026
10:00 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 26-102; REAPPOINTMENT OF RYAN TOYOMURA TO SERVE ON THE ZONING BOAD OF APPEALS

To Council Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola and members of the Honolulu City Council:

Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368, its' 5000+ members and its' 250+ unionized contractors. The Laborers' International Union of North America is the largest international construction trade union in the United States and Canada.

Hawaii LECET strongly supports Resolution 26-102, Reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. As the current Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), Mr. Toyomura has demonstrated his legal expertise, balanced judgement and understanding of complex land use ordinances, throughout his time on the ZBA.

Currently, Mr. Toyomura is a practicing partner at Ashford & Wriston, LLP, where he specializes in land use and real property disputes and appeals. His legal experience equips him with a deep understanding of Honolulu's technical zoning ordinances. As a member of the ZBA, Mr. Toyomura has demonstrated his ability to interpret county codes fairly, objectively and without bias. His recognition on legal platforms such as Super Lawyers Rising Stars 2025, and The Best Lawyers of America "Ones to Watch", shows his highly respected standing among his professional peers.

Mr. Toyomura's involvement with the Hawaii State Judiciary's Courts in the Community Program, as well as a number of community organizations, speaks to his commitment to public service. Hawaii LECET strongly supports Mr. Ryan Toyomura's reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Thank you for your consideration.

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Re: Resolution 26-102; Confirming the Reppointment of Ryan Toyomura to Serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals - (IN SUPPORT)

Dear Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council:

My name is Sidney Hamada, and I am the president of Flora-Dec Sales, Inc. I am writing in **SUPPORT** of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ryan's background as a practicing attorney and previous work in government will provide the necessary skills and experience to serve as an effective member of the Zoning Board of Appeals where he currently serves as it Chair.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Council to pass Resolution 26-102 and to confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Sincerely,

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June 1, 2026

To: The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair and Members of the Honolulu City Council

Subject: Resolution 26-102: **Strong Support** of Confirming the Reappointment of **RYAN M TOYOMURA** to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and County of Honolulu

HEARING

DATE: JUNE 3, 2026
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

The Honorable Chair Tommy Waters and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Lance Inouye, CHB of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. (RSI), a local general contractor. I am writing in **strong support** of the confirming the reappointment of **Ryan M Toyomura**, to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and Council of Honolulu. **Ryan**'s credentials as a practicing attorney and previous government work along with other testimony before the Honolulu City Council and his 1st term participation already speak loudly and well of his qualifications for the position. His character as a person is well worth repeating, however.

Ryan is the go-to person for advice on maneuvering through government laws, rules and regulations if there is a problem that needs to be solved. In spite of the demands on this time, he always takes the time to help individuals such as me through the process. And that's not all. He continues to his skills in helping industry associations such as the GCA and others through the governmental affairs process in our City and State so willingly. Don't let his youthfulness fool you. He has spent a lot of his years serving in the public sector with distinction. What is refreshing to me is that he always approaches any task with the overall good of our City and State in mind. The City and County of Honolulu and indeed the State of Hawaii will be the beneficiary of **Ryan**'s experience and collaborative skills as well as his legal training as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Hence RSI and I personally **strongly support** the reappointment of **Ryan M Toyomura** to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and Council of Honolulu and urge confirming his reappointment. Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion of **Ryan**.

Lahela Aiwohi, Principal
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May 30, 2026

Honolulu City Council
Honolulu Hale
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Re: Resolution 26-102 – Confirming the Reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Honolulu Zoning Board of Appeals (SUPPORT)

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Honolulu City Council:

My name is Lahela Aiwohi, and I am the Principal Consultant of Ola Maui, a Hawaii-based consulting firm focused on community engagement, public policy, government affairs, and strategic planning. I am writing in strong support of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Honolulu Zoning Board of Appeals.

Throughout his tenure, Ryan has demonstrated the professionalism, integrity, and sound judgment necessary to effectively serve the public and uphold the responsibilities of the Zoning Board of Appeals. His legal background, combined with his previous government experience, provides a strong foundation for evaluating complex land use and zoning matters fairly and thoughtfully.

As Chair of the Board, Ryan has consistently exhibited a balanced and measured approach to decision-making while ensuring that proceedings are conducted with transparency, respect, and adherence to applicable laws and regulations. His leadership has helped maintain public confidence in the Board's important role in protecting due process and ensuring the consistent application of Honolulu's zoning ordinances.

Having worked extensively on land use, planning, and community issues throughout Hawaii, I understand the importance of having experienced and knowledgeable individuals serving in these critical public positions. Ryan's expertise, commitment to public service, and proven leadership make him exceptionally qualified to continue serving the City and County of Honolulu in this capacity.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Honolulu City Council to adopt Resolution 26-102 and

confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Honolulu Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Mahalo,

Lahela Aiwohi, Principal
Ola Maui

HAWAII REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS

June 3, 2026

TO: The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair
The Honorable Andria Tupola, Vice Chair
Members of the Honolulu City Council

RE: CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RYAN TOYOMURA TO SERVE ON THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU (RES 26-102, CD1)

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Council Members,

The Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters (HRCC), representing over 6,000 union carpenters and skilled tradespeople across the islands, submits this testimony in support of the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ryan Toyomura's background as a practicing attorney in land use, zoning, environmental law, and administrative law gives him the legal grounding to navigate the complex, often technical matters that come before the Board. Beyond the credentials, those who have worked alongside him consistently speak to his integrity, measured judgment, and genuine commitment to fairness. These are not small things. They are the foundation of public trust in a body like the Zoning Board of Appeals.

That trust is further reflected in the fact that Mr. Toyomura currently serves as Chair of the Board. His colleagues chose him for that role, and his continued service in it speaks to the quality of his leadership and the respect he has earned through his work. Honolulu's construction and development community is well served by his presence on this Board and will continue to reap these benefits should he continue his service.

For these reasons, the HRCC kindly requests this Committee to confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Re: Resolution 26-102; Confirming the Reppointment of Ryan Toyomura to Serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals - (IN SUPPORT)

Dear Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council:

My name is Caroline Sluyter and I am Public Relations Director at MVNP. I am writing in **SUPPORT** of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ryan's background as a practicing attorney and previous work in government will provide the necessary skills and experience to serve as an effective member of the Zoning Board of Appeals where he currently serves as it Chair.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Council to pass Resolution 26-102 and to confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Sincerely,

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June 1, 2026

Honolulu City Council
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Subject: Resolution 26-102; Testimony in SUPPORT of the Reappointment of **Ryan M. Toyomura** to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Dear Chair Waters and Members of the Council:

I **strongly and whole-heartedly SUPPORT** Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan M. Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Over the past 20 years, I have gotten to know Ryan both professionally and personally, particularly though his work at the Honolulu City Council and Hawaii State Legislature, working together on political campaigns, and socializing. I have also followed Ryan's career as an attorney—from his judicial clerkships to his current position at Ashford & Wriston. We've talked in depth about many matters before the Honolulu City Council and the Legislature (e.g., the budget, public safety, housing, social issues, condominium law, and much more), legislative processes, and personnel issues. With his years of service at the City Council and Legislature, coupled with his judicial clerkships and private practice work, Ryan brings a depth and breadth of experience that will continue to provide valuable context and perspective for his public service on the Zoning Board of Appeals, where he currently serves as its Chair.

In my career, I have worked as an attorney in both private and public practice, served on the staff of two members of the Honolulu City Council (Randy Iwase and Audrey Hidano), served as the Chief of Staff/Committee Clerk of the Hawaii State Senate Committee on Ways and Means, and been one of the primary architects/drafters of Hawaii's condominium law (among other things). Given that, there is no doubt in my mind that Ryan Toyomura will continue to be an excellent member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. I respectfully urge you to confirm his reappointment to that position.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly by phone at (808) 542-1542 or by e-mail at gordonarakaki@hawaiiantel.net.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gordon M. Arakaki

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June 1, 2026

The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair
The Honorable Andria Tupola, Vice Chair
Members of the Honolulu City Council
Honolulu Hale
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RESOLUTION 26-102 CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RYAN TOYOMURA TO SERVE ON THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.
Full Honolulu City Council Meeting
June 3, 2026, at 10:00 am

Dear Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Councilmembers,

I am writing in **strong support for the reappointment of Ryan M. Toyomura, Esq. to the Honolulu Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)**. I have known and worked with Ryan for more than fifteen years—beginning with his work at the Legislature, continuing through his time as a law student and extern at the Land Use Research Foundation and the Building Industry Association, and more recently as an associate and partner at Ashford & Wriston. Over this period, we have worked together on matters involving land use, zoning, environmental review, shoreline issues, and water rights.

Ryan brings to the ZBA a strong combination of legal training, government experience, and understanding of Hawai‘i’s legal and land-use systems. His service as a Judicial Law Clerk at the Hawai‘i Intermediate Court of Appeals and his years as a Senior Legislative Advisor at the Hawai‘i State Senate have given him a deep appreciation for statutory interpretation, administrative procedure, and the importance of fairness and impartiality in government decision-making.

His discipline and analytical ability are reflected in his academic achievements, including serving on the *Law Review* and graduating *summa cum laude* from the University of Hawai‘i William S. Richardson School of Law. Professionally, Ryan has strong skills in legal research, analysis, writing, and the ability to clearly present and advocate legal positions—skills essential for evaluating complex appeals and ensuring that decisions are based on the law and the record.

All of these skills and experiences directly support the ZBA’s responsibilities, which include hearing and determining appeals from actions of the Director of Planning and Permitting in administering the zoning ordinances, subdivision ordinances, and related rules and regulations.

While serving on the ZBA, Ryan has demonstrated careful preparation, respect for due process, and a commitment to impartiality. In today’s environment, where public confidence in quasi-judicial bodies is essential, Ryan’s professionalism and transparency are significant assets to the City.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the Council to confirm his reappointment. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support for this nomination.

Very sincerely yours,

David Z. Arakawa

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GOVERNMENT STRATEGIES
A LIMITED LIABILITY LAW PARTNERSHIP

DATE: June 3, 2026

TO: Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair
Honolulu City Council

FROM: Mihoko Ito

RE: **Resolution 26-102; Reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
Hearing Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2026

Dear Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola, and Members of the Council:

I write in **SUPPORT** of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Mr. Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

I have known Ryan from his early years as a senior legislative advisor in a Hawaii State Senate office. I have observed Ryan's career as he went to law school, clerked for the state courts and then joined Ashford & Wriston. As a partner at Ashford & Wriston, Ryan is engaged in a wide variety of legal work including litigation, appeals, land use, real property, corporate law, and energy infrastructure financing, and also works with our government affairs team.

Ryan has worked on a wide variety of subject matters from legislation to litigation to transactional work, which has provided him with a broad legal and life perspective. In the government affairs area, I work directly with Ryan and can attest that he contributes thoughtful, practical ideas and strategies for clients to help them accomplish their desired outcomes.

Ryan has served as an effective member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and his legal skills, balanced temperament and can-do attitude will continue to be an incredible asset to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

For these reasons, I strongly support Ryan's nomination and respectfully request that the Committee pass Resolution 26-102 for the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

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June 1, 2026

Honolulu City Council

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Re: Resolution 26-102; Confirming the Reappointment of

Ryan Toyomura to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals (In Support)

My name is Neal K. Okabayashi and retired from work. I am writing in Support of Resolution 26-102 and the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ryan Toyomura's background as a practicing attorney and previous work in government will provide the necessary skills and experience to serve as an effective member of the Zoning Board of Appeals where he currently serves as Chair.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Council to pass Resolution 26-102 and to confirm the reappointment of Ryan Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Sincerely,

Neal K. Okabayashi