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26-172

June 3, 2026

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Bill 22 (2026) Relating to the Executive Operating Budget and Program for the Fiscal Year 2027

The FD1 amendments to Bill 22 (2026), CD2 proposed by Councilmember Waters includes on page "Proposed FD1 Amendments 5" the following revenue amendments:

ACTIVITY TITLE: DIVISION OF ROAD MAINTENANCE (DRM)

Councilmember: Tommy Waters

Amount	Fund	Description
($630,000)	GN	Reduce funding for salaries.

Department's Comments and Concerns:

The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) respectfully requests that the reduction of $630,000 in salaries be restored. General funds for employee salaries were already cut by $375,831, which already limits the filling of vacancies in FY27 for those positions that maintain streams and flood control facilities. The cut will also further impact DFM's ability to hire additional staff or promote employees to reduce the number of those vacancies during the next fiscal year.

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ACTIVITY TITLE: PUBLIC BUILDING AND ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE DIVISION

Councilmember: Tommy Waters

Amount	Fund	Description
($355,653)	GN	Reduce funding for current expenses.
($582,005)	GN	Reduce funding for salaries.

Department's Comments and Concerns:

The DFM respectfully requests that the proposed reduction of $355,653 in current expenses be restored. Full funding is needed due to anticipated cost increases in supplies and materials due to shipping and manufacturer costs. Reduction of general funds will detrimentally affect the completion of work requests and services to buildings and preventive maintenance will be deferred.

The DFM respectfully requests that the proposed reduction of $582,005 in salaries be restored. Full funding is needed as we are actively trying to fill all of our vacancies. Reduction of general funds will detrimentally affect the staffing required to address the current backlog of requests for repair and maintenance of buildings and street lights, as well as the many requests from other agencies. Without adequate staff, work requests and services to buildings will be delayed and preventive maintenance will be deferred. Salary cuts are already included in the budget and further cuts will result in reduction in core services.

Sincerely,

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