REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY

Voting Members:
Matt Weyer, Chair; Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Vice-Chair;
Augie Tulba, Andria Tupola

Committee Meeting Held
July 14, 2026

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

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Energy, Environment & Sustainability, which considered Resolution 26-130 entitled:

"RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MS. MELANIE ISLAM TO SERVE ON THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU,"

transmitted by Mayor's Message 72 (2026), dated May 14, 2026, from the Office of the Mayor and introduced on May 18, 2026, reports as follows:

The purpose of the resolution is to confirm the reappointment of Ms. Melanie Islam to serve on the Climate Change Commission of the City and County of Honolulu for a term to expire on June 30, 2031.

Ms. Islam provided background information about herself and expressed her willingness to serve on the Climate Change Commission and responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Your Committee considered and approved a handcarried CD1 version of the resolution that makes the following amendments:

A. Amends the title of the resolution to read as follows:

"CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MELANIE ISLAM TO SERVE ON THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU."

ADOPTED ON AUG 12 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 200(26)

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B. Adds a new third WHEREAS clause to set forth the appointment authority for, and the terms of office of, members of the Climate Change Commission.

C. Amends the former third WHEREAS clause as a new fourth WHEREAS clause to:

1. Identify the Mayor's letter by its official communication as Mayor's Message 72 (2026); and

2. Correct the spelling of the first name of the nominee.

D. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Islam meets all qualifications required to serve as a member of the Climate Change Commission and can fulfill the responsibilities of her appointment.

Your Committee on Energy, Environment & Sustainability is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 26-130, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 26-130, CD1.
(Ayes: Dos Santos-Tam, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer – 4; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **26-130, CD1**

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MELANIE ISLAM TO SERVE ON THE CLIMATE CHANGE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 6-107(h), Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended ("Charter"), establishes a Climate Change Commission ("Commission") consisting of five members; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-107(h) sets forth the powers, duties, and functions of the Commission; and

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

WHEREAS, by Mayor's Message 72 (2026), dated May 14, 2026, the Mayor has reappointed Melanie Islam to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Melanie Islam will serve for a term to expire on June 30, 2031; 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, the Council has reviewed Melanie Islam's qualifications and character and finds that she is qualified to serve on the Commission and deserves confirmation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the reappointment of Melanie Islam to the Climate Change Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2031; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Melanie Islam for her commitment and willingness to actively participate in City government; and

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **26-130, CD1**

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor; the Chief Resilience Officer and Executive Director of the Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency; the Climate Change Commission; and Melanie Islam.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

May 18, 2026
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

Report Title:
Reappointment; Confirmation; Boards and Commissions; Climate Change Commission

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