# HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

***KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU***

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

**COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL & LEGAL AFFAIRS**

**Voting Members:**
Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair
Andria Tupola, Vice Chair
Radiant Cordero
Tyler Dos Santos-Tam
Esther Kia'āina
Val A. Okimoto
Augie Tulba
Tommy Waters
Matt Weyer

# WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2026

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on International & Legal Affairs was called to order by Committee Chair Scott Nishimoto at 1:01 p.m. Councilmembers Cordero, Kia'āina, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer, and Council Chair Waters were present at the meeting. Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam was excused from the meeting. (All Councilmembers are voting members.)

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

FOR ACTION

[1:04 p.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 26-182 – COMMITTEE REPORT 238(26)

   ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (MAY). Accepting a gift of conference registration fees and lodging to the City, valued at $2,172.06, from the Hawai'i Executive Collaborative for the Mayor and Managing Director to attend the Hawai'i Executive Conference on the Island of Hawai'i from September 30 – October 3, 2026.

[1:05 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:05 p.m.]

Resolution 26-182 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communication:

MM-102(26) Office of the Managing Director

[1:05 p.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 26-191 – COMMITTEE REPORT 241(26)

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (MDO). Accepting a gift of travel and lodging, valued at $1,304.20, to the City from the AAPI LEAD Foundation for the Strategic Advisor from the Office of the Managing Director to attend the 3rd Annual AAPI LEAD Summit in Los Angeles, California, from July 17-19, 2026.

[1:06 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:06 p.m.]

Resolution 26-191 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communication:

MM-104(26) Office of the Managing Director

[1:06 p.m.]

3. RESOLUTION 26-184 – COMMITTEE REPORT 239(26)

SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH CEBU CITY, REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES. Renewing the City and County of Honolulu's sister city relationship with Cebu City, Republic of the Philippines.

[1:07 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:08 p.m.]

Resolution 26-184 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0537/8/27/2026 3:33 PM).

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[1:08 p.m.]

4. RESOLUTION 26-185 – COMMITTEE REPORT 240(26)

AMENDING SISTER CITY GUIDELINES. Amending the City's Policy Guidelines for sister city relationships by adopting "Sister City Guidelines" to govern the City's sister city and related relationships with other cities.

[1:09 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:09 p.m.]

Resolution 26-185 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0538/8/27/2026 3:45 PM).

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[1:10 p.m.]

5. RESOLUTION 26-71 – COMMITTEE REPORT 237(26)

SALE OF SURPLUS CITY PROPERTY. Approving the sale of surplus City property, Parcel 1-A to Iwalani Tseu for the recommended sale price of $300,000, and the sale of Parcel 2-A to Sidney Walsh for the recommended sale price of $385,000, portion of West Loch Golf Course, Honouliuli, ʻEwa, Oʻahu, Hawaiʻi, TMK: 9-1-181:022.

[1:11 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:14 p.m.]

Resolution 26-71 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[1:14 p.m.]

6. BILL 48 (2026) – COMMITTEE REPORT 235(26)

RELATING TO CONDEMNATION. Clarifying notice requirements for proposed condemnation actions.

[1:15 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:15 p.m.]

Bill 48 (2026) amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0489/8/13/2026 3:45 PM).

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[1:16 p.m.]

7. BILL 16 (2026), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 234(26)

RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF DOGS. Amending provisions related to the regulation of dogs.

[1:17 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[1:21 p.m.]

Bill 16 (2026), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2026-0464/7/24/2026 10:36 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER* – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

*Councilmember Weyer voted aye with reservations.

[1:22 p.m.]

8. BILL 52 (2026) – COMMITTEE REPORT 236(26)

RELATING TO STREETS, SIDEWALKS, MALLS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES. Amending provisions related to the use of streets, sidewalks, malls, and other public places in the City and County of Honolulu.

[1:22 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

RECESS / RECONVENE

Committee Chair Nishimoto called for a recess at 1:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

[1:27 p.m.]

Bill 52 (2026) reported out for passage on second reading and scheduling of a public hearing.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER* – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

*Councilmember Weyer voted aye with reservations.

Related communication:

M-350(26) Testimony on Bill 52 (2026)

[1:28 p.m.]

9. RESOLUTION 26-193 – COMMITTEE REPORT 242(26)

RED HILL BULK FUEL STORAGE FACILITY. Urging the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Hawaiʻi State Department of Health to require the United States Department of the Navy to increase the frequency, chemical scope, and geographic extent of groundwater testing for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances and petroleum chemicals in the immediate vicinity of the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and surrounding areas.

[1:29 p.m.]

The following individual testified:

Dylan Armstrong (M-353[26]) (Support)

[1:32 p.m.]

Resolution 26-193 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

Related communications:

D-546(26) Board of Water Supply
M-353(26) Testimony on Resolution 26-193

[1:32 p.m.]

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Before convening into Executive Session, Committee Chair Nishimoto took up the items for Executive Session individually to allow for oral public testimony on each item.

[1:33 p.m.]

10. Resolution to Authorize Legal Action to Foreclose on the Real Property Located at 45-703 Hilinai Street, Kaneohe, Hawaiʻi, 96744

11. Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Liane Kimiko Tamashiro, Personal Representative of the Estate of Brad Ritsuo Kimura, deceased; James Tatsuo Kimura; and Virginia Eiko Kimura v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-25-0000583 KTM (Cir. Ct.)

12. Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu and Officer Zane De Cambra entitled Diann Taua, et al. v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-23-0001436 (Cir. Ct.)

13. Global request for authorization to settle towing claims with All Island Wreckers regarding Contract MA-CSD-2300062

[1:33 p.m.]

There was no public testimony.

At 1:34 p.m., with no objections from the 8 members present (Ayes: Cordero, Kiaʻāina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Waters, Weyer – 8), the Committee resolved into a closed meeting pursuant to Hawaiʻi Revised Statutes Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), to consult in a closed meeting with its attorneys on questions and issues pertaining to the powers, duties, privileges, immunities and/or liabilities of the City and the Council on the items listed on the agenda for Executive Session.

MEETING RESUMED IN OPEN SESSION

With 8 members present (Ayes: Cordero, Kiaʻāina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Waters, Weyer – 8), the Committee resumed the meeting in open session at 2:15 p.m.

[2:16 p.m.]

10. RESOLUTION 26-198 – COMMITTEE REPORT 243(26)

Resolution to authorize the Department of the Corporation Counsel to initiate foreclosure action against the J.T. Villa Trust and its Trustee(s) to collect civil fines and real property taxes.

[2:16 p.m.]

Resolution 26-198 reported out for adoption.

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| AYES: | CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8. |
| NOES: | None. |
| ABSENT: | DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1. |

[2:16 p.m.]

11. COMMITTEE REPORT 244(26)

Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu entitled Liane Kimiko Tamashiro, Personal Representative of the Estate of Brad Ritsuo Kimura, deceased; James Tatsuo Kimura; and Virginia Eiko Kimura v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-25-0000583 KTM (Cir. Ct.)

[2:16 p.m.]

Committee Report 244(26) reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[2:16 p.m.]

12. COMMITTEE REPORT 245(26)

Request for authorization to settle a lawsuit against the City and County of Honolulu and Officer Zane De Cambra entitled Diann Taua, et al. v. City and County of Honolulu, et al., Civ. No. 1CCV-23-0001436 (Cir. Ct.)

[2:16 p.m.]

Committee Report 245(26) reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

[2:16 p.m.]

13. COMMITTEE REPORT 246(26)

Global request for authorization to settle towing claims with All Island Wreckers regarding Contract MA-CSD-2300062

[2:17 p.m.]

Committee Report 246(26) reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, KIAʻĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA*, WATERS, WEYER – 8.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM – 1.

*Councilmember Tupola voted aye with reservations.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.