HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

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

WRITTEN SUMMARY FOR VIDEO RECORD

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 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 9:07 a.m. Councilmembers Cordero (voting member), Nishimoto (voting member), and Tupola (non-voting member) (temporary voting member for quorum) were present at the meeting. Councilmember Kiaʻāina (voting member) was excused from the meeting.

[9:10 a.m.]

At this juncture, Committee Chair Okimoto announced that Item No. 6, Bill 44 (2026), on page 8 of the agenda was cancelled and would not be considered.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR ACTION

[9:10 a.m.]

1. RESOLUTION 26-166 – COMMITTEE REPORT 218(26)

   COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS FOR BARGAINING UNIT 15. Approving the wage and non-wage cost items for the Unit 15 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Employer and the Hawaiʻi Government Employees Association, for the period from July 1, 2025, to and including June 30, 2029, for employees in Bargaining Unit 15 of the City and County of Honolulu.

[9:11 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:11 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

[9:15 a.m.]

Resolution 26-166 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, WATERS – 4.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA, TULBA – 2.

Related communications:

D-486(26) Department of Human Resources
M-361(26) Testimony on Resolution 26-166

[9:15 a.m.]

2. RESOLUTION 26-170 – COMMITTEE REPORT 219(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DCS). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed $692,800 in General Fund ("GN") monies from the Provision for Grants, Partnerships and Security activity, current expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE"), to the Department of Community Services ("DCS"), Community Based Development activity, $33,514 of which will be transferred to Salaries ("S") COE and $659,286 to CE COE, to meet the local match grant program needs of the DCS.

[9:16 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:17 a.m.]

Resolution 26-170 reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, WATERS – 4.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA, TULBA – 2.

Related communications:

D-503(26) Department of Community Services
M-367(26) Testimony on Resolution 26-170

[9:17 a.m.]

3. RESOLUTION 26-173

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HPD). Authorizing a transfer of up to $280,000 in General Fund ("GN") monies within the Patrol activity, from the current expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE") to the Equipment (“E”) COE to enable the Honolulu Police Department ("HPD") to purchase essential equipment (all-terrain vehicles) for use by Community Policing Teams.

[9:18 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:25 a.m.]

Councilmember Tulba entered the Council Chamber.

[9:38 a.m.]

Action on Resolution 26-173 postponed to a date and time to be determined by the Committee Chair.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA – 1.

Related communications:

D-506(26) Honolulu Police Department
M-365(26) Testimony on Resolution 26-173

[9:38 a.m.]

4. RESOLUTION 26-181 – COMMITTEE REPORT 220(26)

TRANSFER OF FUNDS (DTS). Authorizing a transfer not to exceed $338,000 in General Fund ("GN") monies from the Provision for Grants, Partnerships and Security activity, current expenses ("CE") character of expenditure ("COE"), to the Department of Transportation Services ("DTS") Administration activity, CE COE, to cover the City and County of Honolulu's matching contribution required by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA") for the FHWA candidate project in the federal fiscal years 2025-2028 Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Improvement Program.

[9:39 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[9:48 a.m.]

Resolution 26-181 amended to CD1 (OCS2026-0532/8/26/2026 12:55 PM) and reported out for adoption.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA – 1.

Related communication:

D-518(26) Department of Transportation Services

[9:49 a.m.]

5. BILL 33 (2026), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 216(26)

RELATING TO FUNDS. Amending provisions related to City and County of Honolulu funds.

[9:51 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:04 a.m.]

Bill 33 (2026), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2026-0531/8/27/2026 3:20 PM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA – 1.

6. BILL 44 (2026)

RELATING TO REVENUES AND FUNDS. Addressing certain provisions relating to revenues and funds, including the disposition of transient accommodations taxes for the City and County of Honolulu.

This item was cancelled.

[10:06 a.m.]

7. BILL 50 (2026) – COMMITTEE REPORT 217(26)

RELATING TO FUNDS. Amending provisions related to the Land Conservation Fund.

[10:06 a.m.]

There was no public testimony.

[10:07 a.m.]

Bill 50 (2026) reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: CORDERO, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WATERS – 5.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: KIAʻĀINA – 1.

Related communication:

M-359(26) Testimony on Bill 50 (2026)

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

[10:08 a.m.]

8. COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT FINANCING PROGRAM PRESENTATION.

[10:08 a.m.]

The Committee Chair called upon Adam Bauer, President of Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc. to provide a presentation on Community Facilities District 101 to the Committee. (M-360[26])

[10:10 a.m.]

Councilmember Weyer entered the Council Chamber.

[10:43 a.m.]

Councilmember Kiaʻāina entered the Council Chamber.

[10:54 a.m.]

Councilmember Nishimoto and Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[10:56 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters entered the Council Chamber.

[11:06 a.m.]

Council Chair Waters exited the Council Chamber.

[11:08 a.m.]

The following individuals testified:

1. Matthew Delaney, Laulima (M-358[26]) (General comment)
2. Brennan Brown, Laulima (M-358[26]) (General comment)
3. Pane Meatoga III, Operating Engineers, Local 3 (General comment)
4. Ana Tuiasosopo, Operating Engineers, Local 3 (M-358[26]) (Support)
5. Michael Pacheco, IBEW Local 1186 (Support)
6. Gino Soqueno, Hawaii Building & Construction Trades Council (M-358[26]) (Support)
7. Emmanuel Zibakalam, Hawaii Laborers' Union Local 368 (Support)
8. Kika Bukoski, Plumbers & Fitters UA Local 675 (M-358[26]) (Support)

Related communication:

M-358(26) Testimony on Community Facilities District Financing Program Presentation

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.