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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021
9:00 A.M.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND TESTIMONY

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FOR ACTION

1. **BILL 89 (2020), FD1 – PUBLIC TRANSIT.** Amending Chapter 2, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, to introduce the City Payment Card as a means to pay fares, fees, and charges for the transportation services, and to amend Chapter 13 to amend the fare structure for the City transit system. (Bill passed second reading and public hearing 12/9/20; Committee postponed action 2/3/21)

PROPOSED CD1 TO BILL 89 (2020), FD1 (Submitted by Councilmember Say) – The CD1 (OCS2021-0184/2/25/2021 2:16 PM) makes the following amendments:

A. In SECTION 3 of the bill, which amends ROH Section 13-1.1 ("Definitions"):

1. Clarifies that:

- a. "City paratransit system" or "special transit service" means the public transit service which supplements the City bus system to serve persons who are paratransit eligible according to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA); CFR 49, Part 37, Subpart F, Section 37.123 and persons certified as eligible by the Department of Transportation Services ("DTS");
- b. "City payment card" or "CPC" or "approved card" means the City payment card that may be issued by the DTS pursuant to ROH Section 2-12.____; and
- c. "Multimodal municipal transportation system" or "city transit system" means all public transportation systems of the City, including but not limited to, the City bus system, special transit services, and the City rail system and associated parking and other services;

2. Adds a definition for "Monthly pass" such that the term means a transit pass that is valid for a one-month period; and

3. Deletes the separate definition of "Special transit service."

B. In SECTION 4 of the bill, which adds a new ROH Section 13-2.____:

1. Amends "city transit system vehicle" in subsection (b) to read "city transit bus, city rail vehicle, or at a city rail system facility," in

describing where the city payment card shall be tapped on a fare validator; and

2. Clarifies in subsection (c) that use of a city payment card by anyone other than the authorized and eligible passenger for whom it was programmed shall be considered fare evasion and subject to appropriate penalties pursuant to ROH Section 13-2.7.

C. In SECTION 5 of the bill, which amends ROH Section 13-2.1:

1. Deletes the reference to "ferry management services contractor" in the definition of "Child" in subsection (a);
2. Deletes the definition of "Monthly bus pass" in subsection (a); and
3. Amends the Fare Structure Table as follows:
 - a. By removing the row for fares for "Extremely Low Income" individuals (These individuals are now addressed in SECTION 6 [effective upon approval] and SECTIONS 12 and 17 [effective July 1, 2022] of the bill); and
 - b. By specifying that the fare increases will take effect on July 1, 2022 as opposed to July 1, 2021.

D. Adds the following new SECTIONS to the bill and renumbers all subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

1. A new SECTION 6 that amends ROH Section 13-2.10 to change all references to "bus pass" to "transit pass";
2. A new SECTION 7 that amends ROH Section 13-6.1(c) to change all references from "bus pass" to "transit pass";
3. A new SECTION 11 that repeals ROH Section 13-2.7 ("Nontransference of bus pass and identification card – Penalty");
4. A new SECTION 12 that repeals ROH Section 13-2.10 (effective July 1, 2022);

5. A new SECTION 16 that adds a proposed new ROH Section 13-2.7 ("Conditions for transit passes, identification cards, or programmed city payment cards for reduced fare—Penalty");
 6. A new SECTION 18 that amends ROH Section 15-16.5(e) to change the phrase "adult monthly bus pass" to "adult monthly pass" and the phrase "bus pass" to "transit pass"; and
 7. A new SECTION 19 that adds a severability clause that applies to all provisions of the bill.
- E. In renumbered SECTION 17 of the bill, which adds proposed new ROH Section 13-2.10 ("Transit fares for individuals with extremely low incomes"):
1. Amends subsection (c) to specify that eligible individuals shall receive a city payment card programmed with fares as follows:
 - a. A single ride fare of \$1.25;
 - b. A daily maximum capped fare of \$3.00;
 - c. A monthly maximum capped fare of \$20.00; and
 - d. An annual maximum capped fare of \$45.00;

Provided that the above reduced fares are not applicable for rides on the City's paratransit system or for special event rides; and
 2. Adds a new subsection (e) to specify that the program for transit fares for individuals with extremely low incomes is limited to a City subsidy of \$1,500,000 per fiscal year, unless additional appropriations of general funds or non-City funds are approved.
- F. Amends renumbered SECTION 21 to specify that the bill takes effect upon its approval; provided that SECTIONS 12 (the repeal of ROH Section 13-2.10) and 17 (the enactment of new ROH Section 13-2.10) take effect on July 1, 2022.
- G. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

2. **RESOLUTION 21-43** – **TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HESD)**. Authorizing the transfer of \$49,000 from Current Expense to Salaries for HESD, Health Services Branch, for Fiscal Year 2021, due to new COVID-19 procedures and restrictions requiring additional contract hires to ensure proper protocols are being followed. (Transmitted by Communication [D-90](#))

PROPOSED CD1 TO RESOLUTION 21-43 (Submitted by Councilmember Say) – The CD1 (OCS2021-0146/2/18/2021 2:22 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends the BE IT RESOLVED clause by changing all references to “Health Services Branch” to “HESD Health Services.”
 - B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.
3. **RESOLUTION 21-54** – **TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HESD)**. Authorizing the transfer of \$298,567 from Equipment to Salary for HESD, Ocean Safety Division, for Fiscal Year 2021, to cover the collective bargaining increases. (Transmitted by Communication [D-112](#))
4. **RESOLUTION 21-55** – **TRANSFER OF FUNDS (HESD)**. Authorizing the transfer of \$798,000 from the provision for salary adjustments and accrued vacation pay to Ocean Safety for HESD, Ocean Safety Division, for Fiscal Year 2021, to cover the collective bargaining increases. (Transmitted by Communication [D-113](#))

PROPOSED CD1 TO RESOLUTION 21-55 (Submitted by Councilmember Say) - The CD1 (OCS2021-0179/2/25/2021 2:49 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Clarifies in the 2nd WHEREAS clause that the transfer of General Fund monies is from the Provision for Salary Adjustments and Accrued Vacation Pay activity (current expenses character of expenditure) to the Honolulu Emergency Services Department, Ocean Safety activity (salaries character of expenditure) for Fiscal year 2021.
- B. Clarifies in the BE IT RESOLVED clause that the monies are being transferred between activities and characters of expenditures.
- C. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

5. **RESOLUTION 21-44 – NON-CORONAVIRUS, AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES.** Requesting Hawaii's Congressional delegation, the Hawaii State Legislature, and the State of Hawaii Administration to help identify non-CARES Act federal funding opportunities that may be available to the City for costs related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
6. **RESOLUTION 21-42 – TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR ACTION PLAN.** Approving the City and County of Honolulu's Twenty-Seventh (27th) Year Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, Emergency Solutions Grants and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program funds, and authorizing its submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Transmitted by Communication [MM-37](#))
7. **RESOLUTION 20-144 – GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS.** Authorizing the Director of Budget and Fiscal Services to issue and sell in one or more series not to exceed \$26,000,000 principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City and County of Honolulu for financing the amount appropriated in Ordinance No. 20-___ of the City and County of Honolulu for the purpose of financing capital costs of the Honolulu Rail Transit Project. (Recommitted to the Committee on Budget 7/8/20; Committee postponed action 2/3/21)
8. **REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX BOARDS OF REVIEW I, II, AND III PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 17-44, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 15, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 1990, AS AMENDED.** The Committee will review and evaluate the Real Property Tax Boards of Review and make recommendations to the Council on whether the ordinance(s) establishing the boards should be retained, amended, or repealed.

Related communication:

[D-58](#) Report submitted by Real Property Tax Boards of Review pursuant to Ordinance 17-44, codified as Chapter 3, Article 15, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, as amended.

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9. **RESOLUTION 21-52 – SPECIAL AUDITOR SEARCH COMMITTEE.**
Establishing a Special Auditor search committee and appointing members thereof.

CALVIN K.Y. SAY, Chair
Committee on Budget