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**JUNE 2023 DISTRICT 4
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King Kamehameha Day is very important for the people of Hawai'i, falls on Sunday, June 11th, & celebrates the accomplishments of "Kamehameha the Great." He is credited with uniting the Hawaiian Islands in 1810, & was a highly revered leader. King Kamehameha I is honored each year with numerous celebrations across the islands, most notably with a lei draping ceremony at the King Kamehameha I statue fronting Ali'iolani Hale government building.

May was a month filled with critical discussions, community engagement, & decisive actions. On May 16th, Budget Chair Radiant Cordero & the Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) called a Special Meeting to engage community input on tax-relief measures. Budget Chair Radiant Cordero, Vice Chair Esther Kia'āina, Budget Vice Chair Matt Weyer, & myself were designated as members of the PIG through [Resolution 23-40 CD1](#), which established the PIG to find long-term tax relief solutions to address the impacts of increasing Real Property Tax assessments on residents. During the meeting, we discussed Bills & Resolutions addressing issues concerning Real Property Taxation, such as long-term rental classifications or exemptions, modifications to the real property tax credit, homeowner exemptions, as well as residential & residential A classifications. We greatly appreciate & value all the input our constituents & community provide, as their insights are crucial in shaping our decisions for the City's Fiscal Year 23/24 Budget. During May, I also called for a Special Council Meeting to discuss private activity bonds; we held two dynamic Committee Weeks, the Special CD2 Budget Hearing & our Full Council Meeting, where my colleagues & I delved deep into the matters that affect our community. Our collective focus remains on finding long-term solutions to support our local families so they are not priced out of our island home.

As we near the finish line to approving the City's balanced FY 23/24 Budget, I encourage everyone to stay engaged & involved in the decision-making processes. All Council & Committee meetings are broadcast live on 'Ōlelo 54 or available on the Council website, where you can view all meeting agendas, search all Council legislation introduced & passed, as well as review the FY 23/24 Budget & materials. As always, your kōkua & mana'o are invaluable in shaping the policies & legislative initiatives put forth by the Honolulu City Council.

Please do not hesitate to contact my staff or office with questions or concerns on city-related issues. We remain steadfast in representing & working for you.

Mahalo,

JUNE 2023 DISTRICT 4

CONSTITUENT REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION & SERVICE REPORT



Permit Status

Building Permit

2

Derelict Property

2

Monster Homes

1

Illegal Parking

3

Homeless

2



Traffic/Pedestrian Safety

4



Road Maintenance

12

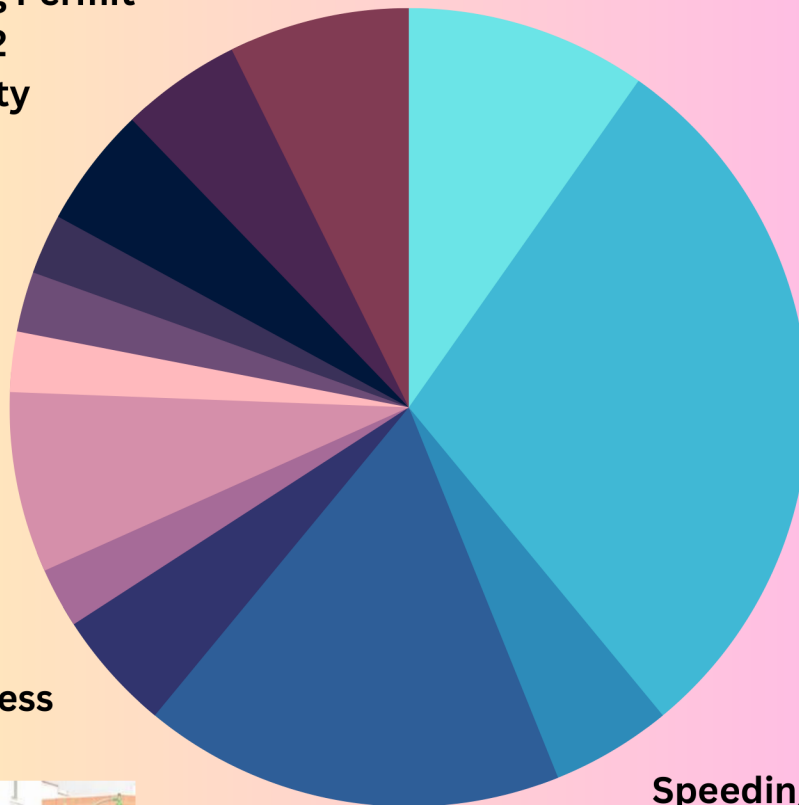


Speeding

2

Park Maintenance

7



EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board No. 02
June 1, 6:00 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

JUNE'S FULL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 7, 10:00 am
Honolulu Hale, Council Chamber

Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Neighborhood Board No. 05

June 8, 6:00 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

Waikīkī Neighborhood Board No. 09

June 13, 6:00 pm, Waikīkī Community Center

Charter Deadline for Council to Adopt the City's FY 23/24 Budget

June 15

Wai'alae-Kāhala Neighborhood Board No. 03

June 15, 7:00 pm, Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse

Kaimukī Neighborhood Board No. 04

June 21, 6:30 pm, Kaimukī Public Library

Hawai'i Kai Neighborhood Board No. 01

June 27, 7:00 pm, Hahaione Elementary School



How to Register to Speak or Submit Testimony for Council & Committee Meetings

I encourage you to express your views & concerns with regard to any legislation considered by the Honolulu City Council.

With work & family obligations, not all of us have the opportunity or time to attend Council or Committee meetings in person. However, you have the option & opportunity to submit testimony via mail, fax, email, or online. To obtain more information about the Honolulu City Council & Council Committee meetings as well as how to submit testimony, log on to <https://hnlhdoc.ehawaii.gov/hnlhdoc/testimony>.

DISTRICT 4 UPDATES

Hawai'i's Leaders Sign Unified Statement on Red Hill



May 9th was a historic day as Hawai'i's leaders signed a unified statement on Red Hill, calling for aquifer remediation and a holistic approach to resolving the water crisis. Governor Josh Green, Mayor Rick Blangiardi, Honolulu City Council Chair Tommy Waters, and Honolulu Board of Water Supply Chief Engineer Ernie Lau were among those who signed the statement, representing their commitment to preserving access to safe, pure water.

"I am so proud to stand shoulder to shoulder with my state and federal colleagues in support of our wai. The 'āina and wai are truly sacred resources that must be protected and preserved for our community and future generations," said Waters. Members of the House Special Committee on Red Hill, which focuses on the containment, treatment, and prevention of water quality issues pertaining to Red Hill, worked on the unified statement with the help of community advocates. Other State and City leaders who signed the statement include House Speaker Scott K. Saiki, Senate President Ronald D. Kouchi, State Department of Health Director Dr. Kenneth S. Fink, Board of Land and Natural Resources Chair Dawn N.S. Chang, and the University of Hawai'i President David Lassner. The signed statement represents the shared kuleana in Hawai'i's leadership to preserve access to safe, pure water and signifies the commitment to cooperating across all governmental levels and agencies.

Over the next three to four months, the parties will convene to develop a blueprint for achieving the shared goal of clean water for the future and welcome public mana'o from communities statewide. This plan will serve as a guide and a living document for what must be done to clean up Red Hill and the aquifer, ensuring future generations have access to clean water.

DISTRICT IV UPDATES (CON'T)

City & County of Honolulu Rail Transit System 1st Phase to Begin Passenger Operations on June 30th



The first phase of the City and County of Honolulu's rail transit system will finally begin interim passenger operations at 2:00 pm on Friday, June 30th! All rides on the new rail system will be free for the entire opening weekend, from 2:00 pm on June 30th until the last train runs on July 4th. Additionally, Resolution 23-97 passed on May 17th approving a four-day suspension of fares to celebrate the grand opening of the Honolulu Rail System and to promote ridership on the multimodal municipal transportation system.

Between 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm on June 30th, rail passengers will be welcome to tour any of the nine stations open for service and hop on any train in either direction, free of charge. Fare gates at all nine stations will be open to all riders until service ends at 6:00 pm that evening.

Beginning on Saturday, July 1st, the first full day of rail service, passengers must have a valid HOLO card to take advantage of the free fare service. Riders must tap their HOLO cards at fare gates to enter individual stations, but fares will not be deducted from those cards.

Adult HOLO cards can be purchased at local retailers, rail station ticket vending machines at the entrance of each rail station, or TheBus Pass Office. A list of retailers is available at holocard.net. In addition, senior, disabled, and youth riders can apply for a reduced-fare HOLO card at TheBus Pass Office at the Kalihi Transit Center. Visit honolulu.gov/rail for more information.



WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL?

Abandoned Vehicles	733-2530
Building Permit	768-8220
Building Code Compliance	768-8259
Bus Route/Schedule Info	848-5555
City Council	768-5010
City General Information Hotline	768-4385
Community Policing Team—East Honolulu	723-3354
Community Policing Team—Waikīkī	723-3349
Complaint (City Government)	768-4381
Dead Animal Pickup—City	832-3200
Dead Animal Pickup—State	485-6200
Dept. of Emergency Management	723-8960
Driver Licensing & State ID	768-9100
Illegal Dumping	768-3203
Mayor's Office	768-4141
Motor Vehicle Title & Reg	768-4325
Park Maintenance—East Honolulu	768-8944
Pothole Hotline	768-7777
Refuse Collection—Honolulu	832-5990
Satellite City Hall Services	768-4325
Senior Helpline	768-7700
Stream Maintenance	768-7890
Street Light Repair	768-5300
Street Sign Repair	768-6300
Tree Trimming	971-7151

For concerns about a homeless individual or group the City & County of Honolulu's Crisis Outreach Response & Engagement Program (C.O.R.E.) responds to medical, mental, & social needs of non-violent homeless-related concerns. Email HonoluluCORE@honolulu.gov or call the C.O.R.E. hotline at (808) 768-2673 to ask for assistance.

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