

# MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT 5: PALOLO VALLEY, ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS, MANOA, MO'ILI'ILI, MCCULLY, ALA MOANA. MAKIKI. AND PORTIONS OF KAKA'AKO.



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# Aloha!

With my new role as Zoning Chair, it has been a busy start to the year, and it's not slowing down anytime soon as we head into our annual budget process. The Mayor will be submitting his budget in early March and the City Council will begin Councilmember | District 5 meeting to discuss the budget and each

Councilmember's amendments shortly after. If you would like to share any suggestions for District V related amendments, please contact my office. The upcoming calendar for budget meetings can be found here: https://hnldoc.ehawaii.gov/hnldoc/documentdownload?id=16357.

The State legislature is also moving through its session and I have been tracking and testifying on a number of bills. Topics I've been particularly interested include nonjudicial foreclosures which would allow the City to move more expeditiously on the foreclosure process on homes that pose a health and safety hazard to the community, and extending the allowed time for City Council to take action on 201H affordable housing projects to allow for the Council and community to have more robust discussions on the proposed projects.

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# The Royal Hawaiian Band plays on

The general public can enjoy the music of the Royal Hawaiian Band every Friday at Iolani Palace from 11 am to noon. Founded in 1836 by King Kamehameha III, the Royal Hawaiian Band is the only band in the United States with a royal legacy and is currently

an agency of the City and County of Honolulu.





- Zoning (CHAIR)
- Public Infrastructure & Technology (VICE CHAIR)
  Executive Management (VICE CHAIR)
- Budget
- Planning & the Economy

### city legislative highlights:

- Bill 10 (2022) is back! The purpose of this ordinance is to address the regulation of uses throughout Chapter 21, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("Land Use Ordinance" or "LUO"). The LUO is being amended to update and move provisions located in other articles of the LUO to a new Article 5, and for consistency purposes to amend other LUO articles to conform with term usage and cross-references
- Bill 57 (2022) relating to the public carry of firearms is making it's way through the Council, with similar State legislation also on the move. The purpose of this ordinance is to define those sensitive locations within the City and County of Honolulu ("City") where the carrying of firearms is prohibited, consistent with an individual's Second Amendment right to bear arms and the United States Supreme Court's ruling in New York State Rifle & Pistol Association, Inc. v. Bruen, 142 S. Ct. 2111 (2022).
- MM-37 Mayor's Message 37 shares the City Administration's Action Plan to address the needs of homeless persons on O'ahu, highlighting five key strategies.

### upcoming meetings:

FOR CITY COUNCIL AND A FULL COUNCILCALENDAR, PLEASE VISIT OUR NEW INTERACTIVEWEBSITE: WWW.HONOLULUCITYCOUNCIL.ORG

#### CITY COUNCIL

- March 15 @ 10:00 am
- April 19 @ 10:00 am

#### **ZONING COMMITTEE**

- March 1 @ 9:00 am
- April 5 @ 9:00 am

#### NEIGHBORHOOD BOARDS

- 1st Wednesday @ 7 pm | NB #7 Mānoa
- 1st Thursday @ 6:30 pm | NB #8 McCully/Mō'ili'ili
- 2nd Wednesday @ 7 pm | NB #6 Pālolo
- 2nd Thursday @ 6 pm | NB #5 Diamond Head/Kapahulu/St. Louis Heights
- 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30 pm | NB #4 Kaimukī
- 3rd Thursday @ 6 pm | NB #10 Makiki/ Lower Punchbowl/Tantalus
- 4th Tuesday @ 6:00 pm | NB #11 Ala Moana/Kaka'ako











# Did You Know?



In Makiki is a very tall condo, the Mott-Smith Laniloa on Mott Smith Street. Both are named for Ernest Augustus Mott-Smith, a Harvard-educated lawyer who served on the Territory of Hawaii's Board of Health from 1901–1925, as Territorial Secretary from 1907–1914, and as a trustee of the Lunalilo Estate.

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Many of us have driven on Dominis Street and many old-timers remember the fine dining restaurant John Dominis at Kewalo, but who was he? John Owen Dominis was Governor of Oʻahu (1864-86 and 1887-88) under Kalākaua, and husband of Queen Lili'uokalani.

## PLEASE BE CAUTIOUS ON THESE DANGEROUS STREETS



Kaimuki – 3rd & Harding Avenues – Between 1/1/2020 & 12/31/2022, there were 100 motor vehicle incidents within 25 feet of the Harding/3rd intersection) collisions; under DTS monitoring; Mahalo to neighbors Lorie, Gary, and Thomas for their vigilant reporting & concerns.



Manoa - Oahu Avenue - 7 collisions past two years; dark area so slope & slight road curve not detectable & in sight line of driving; protruding steel sign pole injured jogger. Mahalo to Raylani for her vigilant reporting & following up with her own blue warning light at the area.



Makiki- Dominis & Poki Streets - over two years of documented collisions & under DTS monitoring; finally, a 4 way all stop intersection was installed in early February; Mahalo to neighbors Dale, Jonathon and many others for their vigilant reporting & concerns.



Kaimuki – 3rd Ave. & Waialae Avenue - between 01/01/2020 & 12/31/2022, there were 275 motor vehicle collisions within 25 feet of this intersection; under DTS monitoring; Mahalo to neighbors Gordon, Mahea, Wayne for their vigilant reporting & concerns.

# SOLAR PLUS STORAGE PROJECT

CM Say and staff attended the blessing of Clearway's Waiawa Solar Plus Storage Project in central Oahu on February 16. This 36-megawatt (MW) solar farm with 144 MWh of battery storage can generate enough clean electricity to power more than 7,600 homes each year.



(left) CM Say with project staff and OCSSR's Nicola Hedge



(right) CM Say with Randy Iwase, former Chair of the Public Utilities Commission.

# AROUND THE BLOCK

CM Say and staff joined We Fix Phones Oahu, who adopted a block near Makiki District, on a neighborhood clean up. They were also joined by The United Korean Association of Hawaii. I continue to be in awe of our community volunteers who take such pride and ownership of their neighborhoods, and take time out of their busy schedules to volunteer. It really does make a huge difference!



Want to help? Find out more <u>HERE</u>! https://www.honolulu.gov/dfmswq/get-involved.html