

## REPORT TO THE 'AIEA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COUNCILMEMBER BRANDON ELEFANTE FEBRUARY 2022



# Honoring Pearl City High School Bowling Team Champs



Councilmember Elefante honored the Pearl City High School Boy's Bowling Team on their 2021 trifecta championship season. The team won the OIA West Championship, OIA Championship, and Billy Tees / HHSAA State Championship. Councilmember Elefante also congratulated Freshman Samantha Kanehailua for winning the 2021 Billy Tees / HHSAA Individual Bowling State Championship with an eight game total pin count of 1,504 and a 188 average. The Pearl City High School Bowling team members are pictured here in between (from left to right): Athletic Director Reid Shigemasa, Head Coach Tony Madrona, Bowling Coach Millie Gomes, Councilmember Elefante and Pearl City High School Principal Joseph Halfmann.

### Congratulating New Department of Facility Maintenance Director, Dawn Szewczyk



Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) Director Dawn Szewczyk was recently recommended for confirmation by the Public Infrastructure Committee. Pictured left to right: Councilmember Elefante, Director Szewczyk (Sev-Check), Councilmember Fukunaga, and Councilmember Tsuneyoshi.

## Happy Lunar New Year!

May your Year of the Tiger be filled with good fortune!

#### FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Abandoned Vehicles	733-2530
City Concerns	768-4381
Environmental Concerns 768-3300	
HART Hotline	566-2299
Illegal Dumping	768-3203
Potholes	768-7777
Refuse & Recycling	768-3200
Senior Citizen Info	768-7700
Street Light Repair	768-5300
Tree Trimming	971-7151
Zoning Info	768-8252

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#### Waipahū Festival Marketplace Site Visit



Councilmember Elefante and Councilmember Augie Tulba met with representatives of the Waipahū Festival Marketplace to discuss their concerns about crime and issues with homeless individuals in the neighborhood. Pictured left to right: Waipahū Festival Marketplace property manager Darlene Higa, Honolulu Police Department Community Policing Team Officer, Ms. Maureen Andrade from the Office of Representative Henry Aquino, Waipahū Community Association President Wayne Ogasawara, Councilmember Tulba, and Councilmember Elefante.

#### Councilmember Elefante Introduces Bill 2 (2022) Relating to Disclosure of Short-Term Rentals Info During Sale

Councilmember Elefante introduced Bill 2 (2022), which would require the owner of residential real property to disclose to a potential buyer certain information relating to the property's eligibly for use as a short-term rental. Such a disclosure would provide more complete information to the buyer of whether the property may or may not be used legally as a short-term rental. This may help to curb some of the price inflation that may occur when dwelling units are wrongly marketed as income-producing investment properties.

Now that the City Council is again considering regulation of short-term rentals, Councilmember Elefante thought this could be one more tool in the City's tool box. Bill 2 was amended to a Committee Draft 1 (CD1) at the Planning and Zoning Committee earlier this month and referred out for Public Hearing at the February 23 Full Council Meeting.

#### Calendar Of Events & Activities

#### February 2022

- 8 Council Committee Meetings: Transportation,
  - Sustainability & Health
  - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 9 Council Committee Meetings: - Budget
  - Public Infrastructure & Technology
  - Public Safety
- 10 Council Committee Meetings: - Zoning and Planning
- 21 President's Day Holiday
- 23 Honolulu City Council Meeting

### March 2022

- 1 Council Committee Meetings: Transportation, Sustainability & Health
  - Housing and the Economy
  - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 2 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Budget
  - Public Infrastructure & Technology
  - Public Safety
- 3 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Zoning and Planning
  - Parks & Community Services

#### 7-10 Budget Briefings

- 16 Honolulu City Council Meeting
- 21 Council Committee Meetings: Transportation, Sustainability & Health
  - Housing and the Economy
  - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 22 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Budget
  - Public Infrastructure & Technology
  - Public Safety
- 23 Council Committee Meetings:
  - Zoning and Planning
  - Parks & Community Services
- 25 Prince Kūhio Day Holiday

#### Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off on Saturday, March 12

The City's Department of Environmental Services (ENV) is holding a Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Event on March 12, by appointment only. The registration deadline for this event is March 4, and when you make your appointment by calling 808-768-3201, they will tell you where to go.

Maybe you have some old pesticides lying around your house, or leftover kerosene from a camping trip. Materials which present serious health and safety hazards are collected by ENV every few months.

Please schedule an appointment time on Saturday, March 13 by calling 808-768-3201 by Friday, March 4 if you need to dispose of any of the following materials:

Acetone, Arsenic, Boric Acid, Chlordane, Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFLs)large quantities, Diesel Fluid, DDT, Dieldrin, Fertilizers (liquid), Fluorescent Tubes-large quantities, Formaldehyde, Gasoline, Herbicides, Hydrochloric Acid, Insecticides, Kerosene, Lead, Lighter Fluid, Malathion, Mercury, Muriatic Acid, Oven Cleaner, Paint Stripper, Paint Thinner, Paraquat, Pentachlorophenol, Paris Green, Photographic Chemicals, Rust Remover, Solvents, Swimming Pool Chemicals, Turpentine, Wood Preservatives.

For more information on these household hazardous wastes, as well as disposal of other household wastes not listed, please call 808-768-3201 or, if you have internet access, please visit the website at: https://www.honolulu.gov/opala/quick-links/hhw.html

Please note that only items that are registered will be accepted on the day of the event. When you register for a household hazardous waste drop-off, please note the size and quantify of each. At the time of registration, ENV will tell you where to go.

#### Thanking Shigeo Ushiro Mānana Neighborhood Park Employee Brian Root



Councilmember Elefante thanked Parks Employee Brian Root with a Certificate of Appreciation for his advocacy to ensure that seniors and other pool users have access to the pool, lifeguards, and a wellmaintained park. Park and pool users had written to Councilmember Elefante to express their gratitude.

Pictured left to right: Parks Employees Zak Lee, Brian Root, and Nikki Toma with Councilmember Elefante.

Pearlridge Satellite City Hall In Pearlridge Mauka (808) 768-5000

Kapālama Driver Licensing Ctr. 925 Dillingham Boulevard (808) 768-4500

Kapolei Driver Licensing Ctr. Kapolei Hale 1000 Ulu'ōhi'a Street

Downtown Satellite City Hall Chinatown Gateway Plaza 1041 Nuuanu Avenue (808) 768-4103

Windward Satellite City Hall Windward City Shopping Center 45-480 Kaneohe Bay Drive (808) 768-4100

#### Hōkūle'a License Plates Now Available at Satellite City Halls

You can now buy a license plate that publicly showcases your support for the Polynesian Voyaging Society and the Hōkūle'a by visiting your neighborhood Satellite City Hall. An estimated 18,000 commemorative plates are available for purchase.



No appointment is needed to purchase the plates, which feature the Hōkūle'a, the double-hulled Polynesian voyaging canoe, anchored at Kualoa on the windward side of O'ahu, where it first sailed to Tahiti more than 46 years ago.

The initial cost of the plates is \$35.50. Of that total, \$20 of each purchase of the plate will go to the Polynesian Voyaging Society, which promotes Hawaiian indigenous culture through its environmentally-driven mission. The annual renewal fee for the license plate is \$25, with a significant portion of the proceeds allocated to the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

To get the specialty plate, visit a Satellite City Hall, complete the application form, surrender the current certificate of registration for your vehicle, and make your payment. For more information, visit the <a href="https://www.honolulu.gov/csd.html">https://www.honolulu.gov/csd.html</a> and click on specialty plates.

# **Touring Waiawa Pearl Highlands Station**



Councilmember Elefante took this photo as he toured the recently constructed Waiawa Pearl Highlands Station with members of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation.

# **Touring Kalauao Pearlridge Station**



Councilmember Elefante gives a shaka as he tours the recently constructed Kalauao Pearlridge Station.