

REPORT TO THE 'AIEA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COUNCILMEMBER BRANDON ELEFANTE MARCH 2022

OF HAVIAN

Waipahū High School 2022 Hawaii LifeSmarts Winners



Councilmember Elefante congratulated the Waipahū High School 2022 Hawaii LifeSmarts Virtual State Competition Winners. Pictured left to right: Senior Captain Ross Cadelina, Juniors Youth Commissioner Keziah Ancheta, Advisor and Coach Mrs. Cindy Takara, Isabelle Delos Santos, Estefany Bayudan, and Councilmember Elefante.

Waipahū High School Student Voice and Engagement



Photo Credit: Waipahū High School Teacher Mr. Ken Kajihara Councilmember Elefante joined in a pedestrian safety forum with Waipahū High School students. They discussed several subjects, including accessibility and participation in government.

Happy Spring!

Spring will soon be upon us, marking one of the days of the year where day and night are nearly equal. May your Spring be filled with the love and aloha of your family and friends!



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

Honolulu City Council 530 S. King St., Rm. 202 Honolulu, HI 96813 Ph: 768-5008 E-mail: belefante@honolulu.gov

Council District 8 serving the communities of Lower 'Aiea, Pearlridge, Waimalu, Newtown, Pearl City, Seaview, Crestview, Waipi'o Gentry, and portions of Waipahū

Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Documents Are Available Online

The annual budget for the City and County of Honolulu is introduced each year on March 2 by the Administration. By law, the City Council has three months to review, amend, and adopt the budget, which takes effect on July 1 of the same year.

The budget consists of several bills, most notably the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget, the Operating Budget, the Rail (HART) Budget, and the Legislative Budget.

The Honolulu City Council has recently updated its webpage, where you can access information of these budgets, the budget calendar, and documents related to the Council review of the budget:

https://www.honolulucitycouncil.org/budget

Please check it out, and email me at <u>belefante@honolulu.gov</u> or call my office at (808) 768-5008 with any questions or input.

Road Repaving Coming to Council District 8

The Fiscal Year 2023 CIP budget includes \$35,500,000 for rehabilitation and repaving of streets. Several of these streets are included in the project named Rehabilitation of Localized Streets Phase 25A in the following neighborhoods: Pacific Palisades, Pearlridge, Pearl City, Waimano Home Road from Moanalua Road to Komo Mai Drive, Waipio, Waikele Road from Apowale Street to Waikele Loop, Waipahu Depot Street from Hikimoe Street to Haakoa Place, and various areas of Waipahu Town.

To see maps and a list of the streets, visit the Department of Design and Construction's website and click on "Road Repaving Update" at: www.honolulu.gov/ddc/default.html.

Walk With A Doc

Starting on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 8AM, come "Walk With A Doc" at Neil Blaisdell Park at 98-319 Kamehameha Highway in Aiea, facing the scenic and historical Pearl Harbor. This doctor-led walking group is a fun and safe place to go for a walk, learn about health, and meet people from your community. The event is free, and all ages and abilities are welcome.

Future "Walk With A Doc" events will be held on the 3rd Saturday of every month. This program is sponsored by the University of Hawaii Family Medicine Residency Program, and we thank Dr. Cherisse Kawamura for sharing this information with our office so that we can share it with you.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Thomas Quattlebaum at tquattle@hawaii.edu

Calendar Of Events & Activities

March 2022

- 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
- 7-9 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

April 2022

- 13 Honolulu City Council Meeting
- 15 Good Friday Holiday
- 19 Council Committee Meetings: Transportation, Sustainability & Health
 - Housing and the Economy
 - Executive Matters & Legal Affairs
- 20 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Budget
 - Public Infrastructure & Technology
 - Public Safety
- 21 Council Committee Meetings:
 - Zoning and Planning
 - Parks & Community Services

Draft O'ahu Pedestrian Plan Update

The Transportation, Sustainability & Health Committee just received an update on the draft of the very first Oʻahu Pedestrian Plan from the City's Department of Transportation Services (DTS). The islandwide_plan aims to create vibrant, safe, and accessible streets to enable those of all ages and abilities to get around safely and comfortably on foot.

The O'ahu Pedestrian Plan includes an inventory of existing pedestrian conditions, identifies locations with high pedestrian crash history, proposes pedestrian programs, and prioritizes safety improvement projects to facilitate walking and travel consistent with Honolulu's Complete Streets law.

Thanks to many of you, DTS is now analyzing all community input on the Draft Plan with a Final Plan to be published sometime in the spring of this year. View the Draft Oʻahu Pedestrian Plan and public outreach materials at: https://www.honolulu.gov/completestreets/pedplan.html.

Honolulu Zoo Launches HZApp

The Honolulu Zoo recently launched a new feature called HZapp, which is an all-encompassing tool that incorporates every step of the guest journey with one convenient tap of a button on a mobile device.

HZapp is sponsored by the Zoo's concessionaire, SSA Group, and includes interactive digital maps loaded with helpful filters, state-of-the-art way finding technology, and custom content to ensure that guests always find the right animal exhibit, attraction, gift shop, dining location, and more.

Zoo patrons will scan QR codes placed throughout the zoo with the camera on their mobile device. HZapp will allow for touchless food and retail orders, pickup and shipping to anywhere, making the dining and shopping experience for zoo patrons convenient. HZapp is not required to be downloaded and is not available at app stores. All you need is a mobile device with a camera.

The Honolulu Zoo is the only zoo in the nation that originated in a King's grant of royal lands from King Kalākaua in 1877. That makes our zoo 125 years old this year! Come check out our Honolulu Zoo with your family and friends and see what's new!

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 Recognizing Lasar McCabe for Her Volunteer Service



Photo Credit: MyPearlCity.com B. Villamil.

Councilmember Elefante recognized Ms. Lasar McCabe for leading the Rotary Club of Pearlridge's efforts to clean and beautify Puuloa Springs and the Pearl Harbor Historic Trail near Blaisdell Park in Aiea and Pearl City. She has made a profound impact on the community while also organizing community service projects with the help of the Rotary's Interact Clubs from Highlands Intermediate School, Our Savior Lutheran School, and Pearl City High School. In addition, she has organized volunteer assistance from the Mana Loa-Nimitz Lions Club, Pearl City Lions Club, Honolulu Chinatown Lions Club, Cyber Lions Club, and Hawaii Recreation and Parks Society.

Honoring Jits Fujimura for His Lifetime of Community Service



Jits Fujimura was honored for his many years of community service to the Pearl City community. Pictured left to right: Senator Bennette Misalucha, Representative Gregg Takayama, Jits Fujimura, Councilmember Brandon Elefante, and Senator Clarence Nishihara.