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UPDATES ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Unauthorized Pipes Along Hālawa Heights Road
Following concerns about unauthorized pipes in the unimproved sidewalk area near 99-1079 Hālawa Heights Road, the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) conducted an inspection on September 28, 2026. Inspectors confirmed that two unauthorized pipes were present and issued a Notice of Violation requiring their removal from the sidewalk area.

Traffic Signal Repairs at Moanalua Road and Kauhale Street
The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) conducted another inspection of the traffic signals at Moanalua Road and Kauhale Street in response to a report of a malfunctioning left-turn signal. DTS confirmed that the left-turn signal was functioning properly and that a separate westbound red signal light had also been repaired and was working properly.

Guardrail Extension Request on Heleconia Place
Following concerns about vehicles striking a resident’s mailbox while turning around near 99-122 Heleconia Place, Councilmember Cordero requested that the existing guardrail be extended to provide additional protection near the resident’s mailbox and nearby utility pole. DTS clarified that a portion of Heleconia Place falls under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation (HDOT). As such, the concern was forwarded to HDOT for appropriate action and a direct response.

Homeless Encampment Concerns Along Moanalua Road Near St. Timothy’s Church
Following reports of a homeless encampment along the makai side of eastbound Moanalua Road near St. Timothy’s Church in ‘Aiea, several City departments and the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) took action to address the concern. The Department of Community Services (DCS) initially inspected the area on October 8, 2026, and reported that it had been cleaned and no encampment remained. HPD also conducted checks, spoke with two individuals who declined outreach services, and issued citations for several related violations. The Department of Facility Maintenance’s (DFM) Stored Property Ordinance Branch subsequently confirmed that the individuals had removed their belongings and left the area. DFM crews cleared the remaining trash and debris from the sidewalk, and DCS was notified for future outreach services.

Pothole Repairs Along Moanalua Road and Nearby Streets
DFM initiated service requests to repair potholes reported at several locations in ‘Aiea. The locations include:

- Moanalua Road westbound, near the Ualo Street mid-block crossing, in both lanes (Service Request [SR] No. 80416).
- Kauhale Street and Moanalua Road (SR No. 80471).
- Komo Mai Drive and Ka‘ahele Street (SR No. 80723).

Mahalo to Senator Elefante for raising these road condition concerns.

UPDATES ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS (CONTINUED)

Pedestrian Crossing Sign Replacement on Kaimakani Street
DFM’s Division of Road Maintenance replaced a damaged pedestrian crossing sign on Kaimakani Street near ‘Aiea Elementary School on September 1, 2026. The repair was completed under Service Request No. 78824.

Makalapa Neighborhood Park Improvements
Councilmember Cordero received several updates from the Department of Parks and Recreation regarding maintenance and improvement requests at Makalapa Neighborhood Park:

- Basketball Court: The pile of dirt on the court was completely removed on September 17, 2026.
- Maintenance Entrance: A work order was submitted to install an additional bollard to help prevent mopeds, electric bikes, and other vehicles from accessing the field and park.
- Water Leaks: A work order was submitted to repair two reported water leaks on the field.
- Additional Seating: A project request was submitted to add more benches and tables to the park.

Illegal Dumping at Pu‘umakani Street and Hālawa Heights Road
Following reports of illegal dumping at the end of Pu‘umakani Street and near the intersection of Hālawa Heights Road and Bailey Road, the Department of Environmental Services confirmed that both areas had been cleaned and cleared as of October 13, 2026.

Construction Concerns at 99-528 Paihi Street
DPP conducted an inspection on September 23, 2026, in response to concerns about construction activities at 99-528 Paihi Street. Inspectors confirmed that construction of the new two-story home and replacement retaining wall was proceeding according to approved building plans and permits. No building code violations, signs of erosion, or imminent erosion concerns were observed during inspection. DPP will continue monitoring the construction to ensure compliance with approved plans and applicable structural requirements.

Overgrown Vegetation Along Moanalua Road
Following concerns about overgrown vegetation along Moanalua Road, from the Pearl Ridge Elementary School driveway to Pono Street, the DFM’s Division of Road Maintenance clarified which agencies are responsible for maintaining the affected areas. The portion fronting Pearl Ridge Elementary School falls under the school’s jurisdiction, while the section fronting the Board of Water Supply (BWS) station is maintained by BWS. DFM is responsible for the remaining sections and has opened Service Request No. 80792. The work will be scheduled as resources become available.

CITY NOW ACCEPTING GRANTS IN AID APPLICATIONS TO SUPPORT LOCAL NONPROFITS

The City continues to support nonprofits that provide essential services and strengthen our communities. Last year, the Department of Community Services (DCS) awarded more than $11.9 million to 94 nonprofits across O‘ahu through its Grants in Aid (GIA) program. The City Charter-mandated GIA fund, administered by DCS, was established by voter initiative to provide financial support to programs and services for vulnerable populations and provide public benefits in the areas of arts, culture, economic development, and the environment.

For eligibility requirements and application information, visit honolulu.gov/dcs/giainfo. Agencies can download the Request for Grant Proposals through the State of Hawai‘i’s Hawai‘i Awards & Notices Data System (HANDS) website at hands.ehawaii.gov/hands/opportunities. For assistance, contact the Division of Purchasing Help Desk at (808) 768-5535.

Sealed proposals must be submitted by 2 p.m. Hawai‘i Standard Time on Monday, November 30, 2026, to the Division of Purchasing, Honolulu Hale, Room 115, 530 South King Street, Honolulu, HI 96813.

FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH



October was Filipino American History Month, a time to honor Filipino heritage and celebrate the contributions of Filipinos throughout the nation. At the Honolulu City Council meeting on October 7, Councilmember Cordero recognized the month and reflected on the growing representation of Filipino Americans, especially on the City Council. As a proud Filipino American, she honored the generations who worked hard, built lives for their families, and paved the way for future generations. She also recognized the lasting contributions of Filipinos in shaping Hawai‘i’s communities and leadership.

DIAMOND BAKERY’S 105TH ANNIVERSARY



At the October 7 Honolulu City Council meeting, Councilmember Cordero recognized Diamond Bakery’s 105th anniversary and presented the company with an Honorary Certificate on October 12. Founded in 1921 by three Japanese immigrants, the local bakery has become a beloved part of Hawai‘i’s history, known for its familiar crackers and lasting place in the community. Councilmember Cordero recognized Diamond Bakery’s legacy and its contributions to generations of local families.

HUI AIKANE SENIOR CLUB AT HĀLAWA DISTRICT PARK



Members of the Hui Aikane Senior Club welcomed Councilmember Cordero to Hālawa District Park on October 20 for a talk-story session. The visit provided an opportunity to hear directly from seniors about their concerns, neighborhood needs, and ideas for potential improvements. Information from the City’s Elderly Affairs Division, including Senior Information and Assistance handbooks, was also shared with attendees.

‘AIEA INTERIM PARK TREE PLANTING



Community members and partners gathered at ‘Aiea Interim Park on October 9 and 10 to plant 34 trees, with Councilmember Cordero joining in the effort. The planting marked an important step toward transforming the 3.43-acre site into Ke Ola O ‘Aiea ‘Ohana Park (The Life of ‘Aiea Family Park). The vision for the park includes a community center, outdoor recreation and exercise amenities, and green space for families to enjoy. Mahalo to the ‘Aiea Community Association, Trees for Honolulu, The Outdoor Circle, ‘Aiea Intermediate School, the City’s Division of Urban Forestry, and all the volunteers who helped make this effort possible.

5TH ANNUAL ‘AIEA COMPLEX TRUNK-OR-TREAT



Salt Lake District Park was filled with candy, excitement, and Halloween spirit on October 24 as hundreds of keiki and ‘ohana joined the 5th Annual ‘Aiea Complex Trunk-or-Treat. The event brought families together for an afternoon of festive fun and trick-or-treating. Mahalo to the ‘Aiea Complex team, the City’s Department of Parks and Recreation, participating trunk hosts, and volunteers for helping make the event a success!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/16/26
9:00 a.m. - Budget Committee
1:00 p.m. - Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee
2:30 p.m. - Housing, Homelessness & Parks Committee

11/17/26
9:00 a.m. - Infrastructure, Transportation & Technology Committee
1:00 p.m. - International & Legal Affairs Committee
1:00 p.m. - Executive Management Committee (as needed)

11/18/26
9:00 a.m. - Zoning & Planning Committee
1:00 p.m. - Public Safety & Economy Committee
2:30 p.m. - Government Efficiency & Customer Services Committee

12/02/26
10:00 a.m. - City Council Meeting

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